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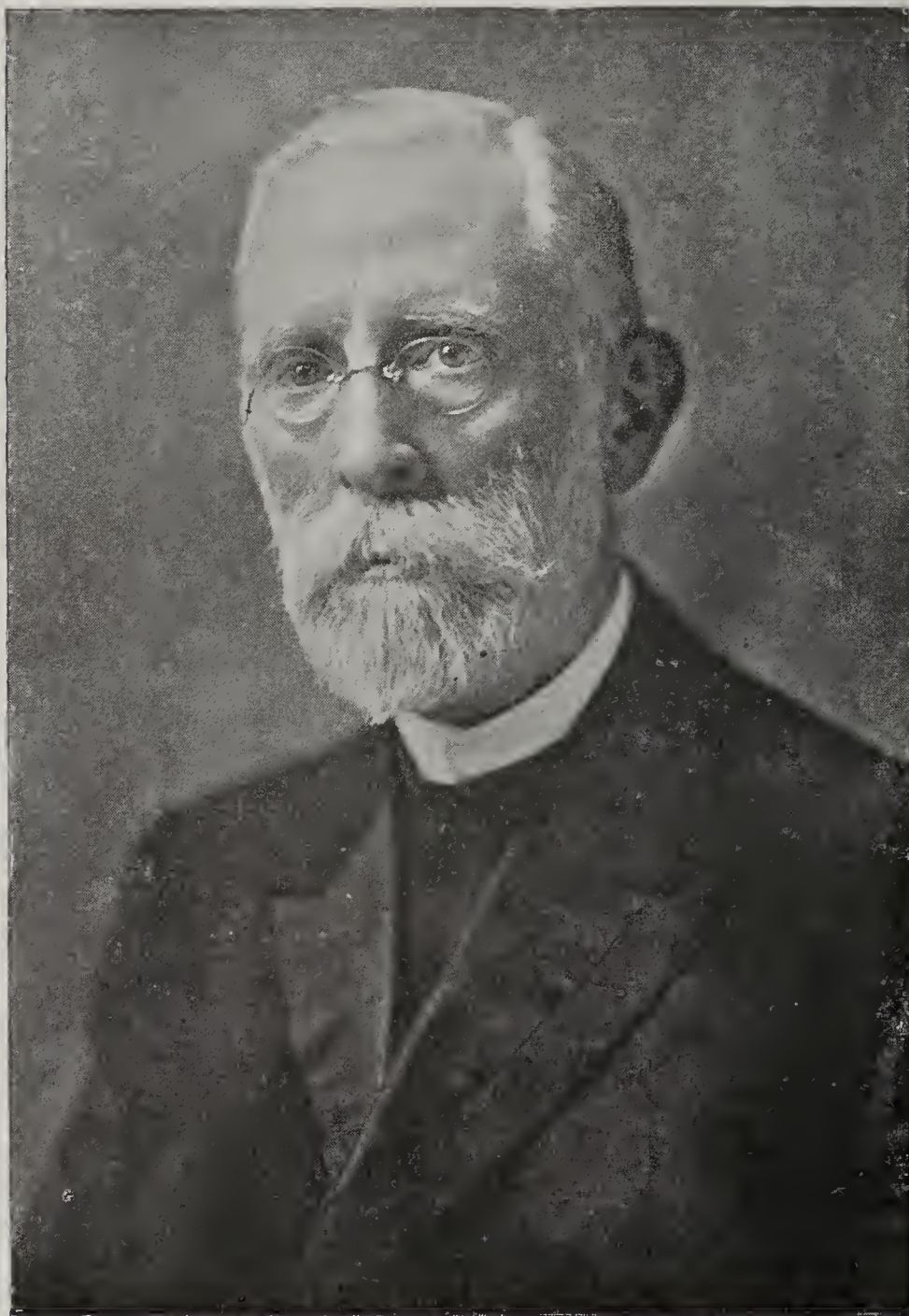
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Conference Centenary Program of Advance 1919—1923

Full Membership to be doubled.

Christian Community to be advanced to 85,765.

Day and Sunday School work to be doubled.

Theological and Bible Training Students to be increased to 365.

Colportage—Scripture sales 834,000.

Tract distribution 5,000,000.

Choudris 803.

Time Legion 1,701.

Enrolment for Life Service 755.

Christian Stewards 8,000.

Endowment for Baldwin Boys' School Rs. 100,000.

Endowment for Baldwin Girls' School Rs. 50,000.

For Retired Preachers' Fund Rs. 30,000.

Endowment Rs. 8,457.

Contribution for Pastoral support by Indian Church to be doubled.

For Objectives by Districts, see Report of Centenary Council
pp. 420—422.

Secretary's Certificate

This certifies that the following pages contain a complete and accurate record of the proceedings of the South India Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church at its 44th Session held at Hyderabad, Deccan, December 17th to 22nd, 1919, together with the Reports, Statistics, and all other matters required; and that by vote of the Conference the same is adopted as its Official Journal.

HYDERABAD, DECCAN,
23rd December, 1919.

J. J. KINGHAM,
Recording Secretary

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I. CONFERENCE ROLL, 1919

Name	United with S. I. Conference	How admitted	From what Conference	Vernacular	The year passed
Abraham, A. S.	.. 1914	On Trial			
Anderson, K. E.	.. 1899	Transfer	N. W. Iowa	{ Tamil Kanarese	.. *
Barnabas, Abednego	.. 1916	On Trial			
Buttrick, J. B.	.. 1889	Recognition of Credentials	Nova Scotia	Kanarese	.. *
Camp, Cecil, L.	.. 1914	On Trial		Kanarese	.. 2
Coates, A. B.	.. 1907	Do.		Kanarese	.. 3
Cook, A. E.	.. 1892	Transfer	Detroit	{ Telugu Kanarese	.. 2 .. *
David, Ongole	.. 1916	On Trial			
Desai, Nanappa	.. 1893	Do.			
Ernsberger, D. O.	.. 1882	Do.	N. Indiana	Kanarese	.. *
Garden, J. H.	.. 1884	Do.	Kentucky	{ Telugu Kanarese	.. * .. *
Gershom, Govinduraju	1893	Do.			
Gray, Walter G.	.. 1914	Recognition of Credentials		Tamil	.. † 2
Guest, Edmund J.	.. 1917	Transfer	Newark		
Harris, John D.	.. 1914	Do.	Genesee	Telugu	.. † 2
Hilmer, H. F.	.. 1911	Do.	California	Kanarese	..
Hollister, W. H.	.. 1888	Do.	Wisconsin		
Jacob, Jotappa	.. 1914	On Trial			
Joseph, Garnipudi,	.. 1918	Do.			
Kanagarayan, Samuel	.. 1917	Do.			
King, W. L.	.. 1888	Transfer	Minnesota	{ Kanarese Tamil Telugu	.. 1 .. 2 .. *
Karodi, Jonathan	.. 1903	On Trial			
Karodi, Job P.	.. 1919				
Kingham, J. J.	.. 1905	Do.		Tamil	.. *†3
Lewis, Malappa	.. 1892	Do.			
Linn, H. H.	.. 1910	Do.		Hindustani	.. 2
Lipp, C. F.	.. 1907	Do.		Kanarese	.. 1†1
Luke, Manipalli	.. 1913	Do.			
Moses, Boaz	.. 1917	Do.			
Mittra, K. G.	.. 1912	Do.			
Morgan, W. L.	.. 1913	Transfer	Pittsburg	Telugu	.. † 2
Noah, Suhrudia	.. 1892	On Trial			
Parker, C. E.	.. 1901	Do.		T gu	.. 2
Prakash, V. G.	.. 1912	Do.			
Ross, Marcellus, D.	.. 1912	Transfer	N. W. Kansas	Do.	.. 2
Samson, N. E.	.. 1914	On Trial			
Scharer, C. W.	.. 1904	Do.	Central Ohio	Kanarese	.. *
Seamands, E. A.	.. 1919	Transfer	West Ohio		
Singh, Hetá	.. 1911	On Trial			
Simmons, J. W.	.. 1914	Transfer	Bengal		
Tindale, Matthew	.. 1898	Transfer	N. W. India	Hindustani	.. *
Washburn, Judson	.. 1919	Do.			

NOTE.—The * denotes those who have passed the prescribed course.
The † with number denotes the S.I.M.A. Examination passed.

II. CONFERENCE OFFICERS

Presiding Bishop.....J. E. Robinson, D.D., LL.D. Bangalore, India.
Secretary.....J. J. Kingham, Tuticorin.
Assistant Secretaries.....C. F. Lipp, Gokak Falls.
Ongole David, Vikarabad, Deccan.
Foreign Board Treasurer...J. B. Buttrick, Gulbarga, Deccan.
Conference Treasurer.....C. F. Lipp, Gokak Falls.
Corresponding Secretary....J. B. Buttrick, Gulbarga, Deccan.
Statistician.....C. L. Camp, Bidar, Deccan.
Historian.....D. O. Ernsberger, Raichur, Deccan.

III. CONFERENCE BOARDS

Board of Education

A. B. Coates, *Chairman*; C. W. Scharer, W. G. Gray, Ongole David, N. E. Samson, Miss Robinson, E. J. Guest, Miss Rexroth, J. D. Harris, C. L. Camp, The Principal Crawford Boys' School, N. Desai, K. E. Anderson, Mrs. Ernsberger, Miss Fisher, Miss Ericson, Miss Wells, *Secretary*.

Board of Examiners

J. J. KINGHAM, *Chairman*.
K. E. ANDERSON, *Registrar*.

ENGLISH STUDIES.—J. B. Buttrick, A. B. Coates, C. F. Lipp, K. E. Anderson, E. J. Guest.

VERNACULAR STUDIES:—

CANARESE.—D. O. Ernsberger, V. G. Prakash, Jonathan Karodi, K. G. Mittra.

TELUGU.—J. H. Garden, Manipalli Luke, A. S. Abraham.

TAMIL.—Govinduraju Gershom, J. J. Kingham, W. G. Gray.

Triers of Appeals

H. F. Hilmer, K. E. Anderson, C. W. Scharer, J. H. Garden, Govinduraju Gershom.

Conference Board of Foreign Missions

D.O. Ernsberger, J.B. Buttrick, Nanappa Desai, A.E. Cook, and A.S. Abraham.

Epworth League

CENTENARY CO-OPERATIVE OFFICERS.

PRESIDENT.—J. H. Clay.

SECRETARIES—Executive, C. F. Lipp; Historical, Miss Young; Publicity, Miss Watts.

TREASURER.—Stewardship, Miss Montgomery; Finance, Miss Robinson.

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SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT.—J. J. Kingham, Missionary Department ; I. Minute Men ; II. Life Service ; III. Mission Study.

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FOURTH VICE-PRESIDENT.—J. B. Buttrick, Literary ; Education and Literature. I. Bible and Tract Distribution. II. Editing, Publishing, and Dissemination of the best Literature in the various Vernaculars. III. Training Institutes.

Church Location

BANGALORE DISTRICT.—The District Superintendent, S. Noah, Miss Fisher.

BELGAUM DISTRICT.—The District Superintendent, A. B. Coates, Miss Ericson, A. S. Ajagarni.

BIDAR DISTRICT.—The District Superintendent, N. E. Samson, J. Jacob, Miss King.

ENGLISH DISTRICT.—The District Superintendent, H. M. Clay, C. Hastings Price, W. E. Gay.

GULBARGA DISTRICT.—The District Superintendent, Heta Singh, Nanappa Desai, K. Rudrappa.

HYDERABAD DISTRICT.—The District Superintendent, A. S. Abraham, Manipalli Luke.

MADRAS DISTRICT.—The District Superintendent, W. L. King, W. G. Gray, J. J. Kingham.

RAICHUR DISTRICT.—The District Superintendent, L. Bhadrappa, K. G. Mittra, F. E. Aiman, P. Jacob, K. Agrippa.

VIKARABAD DISTRICT.—The District Superintendent, J. H. Garden, W. L. Morgan.

IV. STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE.—The District Superintendents, A. B. Coates, J. J. Kingham, Nanappa Desai. Reserves, C. F. Lipp and A. S. Abraham.

CONFERENCE RELATIONS—

1st class : K. E. Anderson, J. J. Kingham, K. G. Mittra.

2nd class : A. E. Cook, Nanappa Desai, C. F. Lipp.

3rd class : J. H. Garden, A. B. Coates, Ongole David.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.—Garnipudi Joseph, Mrs. Ernsberger, Miss Montgomery, Mrs. Coates, Manipalli Luke, Samuel Kanagarayan, C. F. Lipp.

STATE OF THE CHURCH.—District Superintendents and A. E. Cook, *Chairman*.

CONFERENCE STEWARDS.—J. H. Garden, H. F. Hilmer, W. G. Gray, Malappa Lewis, E. A. Seamands, Nanappa Desai.

COMITY.—The District Superintendents, D. O. Ernsberger, *Chairman*.

MEMOIRS.—Mrs. Ernsberger, *Chairman*, W. G. Gray, Miss Rexroth, N. E. Sampson, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Guest.

TOTAL ABSTINENCE.—E. A. Seamands, Mrs. Camp, A. S. Abraham, Mabel Morgan, V. G. Prakash.

AUDIT.—A. B. Coates, *Chairman* ; C. W. Scharer, H. H. Linn, Miss Robinson, H. F. Hilmer, Miss Fisher, Miss Montgomery, J. D. Harris, C. L. Camp, Miss Rexroth, W. G. Gray, E. J. Guest, Miss Simonds.

BUILDING COMMITTEE.—H. F. Hilmer, C. L. Camp, Miss Wood, Miss Fisher, D. O. Ernsberger, and the District Superintendent officially concerned in each case.

AGGRESSIVE EVANGELISM.—C. E. Parker, C. L. Camp, C. W. Scharer, Nanappa Desai, Suhrudia Noah, Miss Robinson, Miss Maskell, J. D. Harris.

MEDICAL WORK.—H. H. Linn, C. F. Lipp, Miss Kline, Mrs. Linn, C. L. Camp.

VERNACULAR LITERATURE.—The Book Editors, Agent, Methodist Publishing House, Miss Maskell, Miss Wood, J. B. Buttrick, Govindaraju Gershom, A. S. Abraham, Ongole David, J. J. Kingham, J. H. Garden, Nanappa Desai, Suhrudia Noah, Mrs. Ernsberger, J. Venkatachellum.

NOMINATIONS.—C. L. Camp, W. G. Gray, Garnipudi Joseph, C. F. Lipp, E. J. Guest.

APPORTIONMENTS.—The District Superintendents, J. B. Buttrick, *Chairman*.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF BALDWIN HIGH SCHOOLS.—The Resident Bishop, Superintendent of English District, Principal of each School, C. Hastings Price, A. B. Coates, J. B. Buttrick, Miss F. F. Fisher, G. S. Rogè, J. H. Stephens, H. F. Hilmer, E. W. Fritchley.

PUBLICATION OF MINUTES.—Secretaries, and Agent, Methodist Publishing House.

V. SPECIAL COMMITTEES

CENTENARY COUNCIL.—*Chairman*, C. F. Lipp, *Executive Secretary* J. J. Kingham, C. Hastings Price, T. K. Ramani, Miss Montgomery, Ongole David, Nanappa Desai, E. J. Guest, J. D. Harris.

SIMPLE OUTLINE METHODIST DISCIPLINE.—C. L. Camp.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PUBLICATIONS.—W. L. King, Miss Simonds, Govindaraju Gershom, C. W. Scharer, Nanappa Desai, Garnipudi Joseph, the Book Editors.

PREPARING INDIAN CHRISTIAN BIOGRAPHIES.—D. O. Ernsberger, Nanappa Desai, J. H. Garden, Ongole David.

VI. SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVES

Woman's Christian College, Madras.....Bishop J. E. Robinson, D.D. LL.D.

Madras Provincial Council of Missions.....J. J. Kingham, Miss Maskell.

Missionary Educational Council of South India....J. J. Kingham, Miss Rexroth.

Union Tuberculosis Sanitarium.....Miss M. D. Lewis, M.D.

Executive Council, National Missionary Society of

India.....Govindaraju Gershom.

South India Missionary Association:

Kanarese.....D. O. Ernsberger.

Telugu.....J. D. Harris

Tamil.....J. J. Kingham.

Urdu.....Miss Catherine Wood.

South India United Church.....W. L. King, D.D.

Aided Missionary Education Committee.....H. F. Hilmer.

VII. DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS, 1919

1. *Is this Annual Conference Incorporated according to the requirements of the Discipline?* It is incorporated as a Financial Board according to the requirements of Indian Law.

2. *Who have been Received by Transfer, and from what Conference?* E. A. Seamands, from West Ohio Conference.

3. *Who have been Re-admitted?* None.

4. *Who have been Received on Credentials, and from what Churches?* None.

5. *Who have been Received on Trial?*

(a) *In Studies of First Year.* Job P. Karodi.

(b) *In Studies of Third Year under the Seminary Rule.* None.

6. *Who have been Continued on Trial?*

(a) *In Studies of First Year.* None.

(b) *In Studies of Second Year.* Boaz Moses, Garnipudi Joseph and Earl A. Seamands.

(c) *In Studies of Third Year.* None.

(d) *In Studies of Fourth Year.* None.

7. *Who have been Discontinued?* None.

8. *Who have been admitted into Full Membership?*

(a) *Elected and ordained Deacons this year.* Samuel Kanagarayan.

(b) *Elected and ordained Deacons previously.* None.

9. *What Members are in Studies of Third Year?*

(a) *Admitted into Full Membership this year.* Samuel Kanagarayan.

(b) *Admitted into Full Membership previously.* None.

10. *What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year?* Ongole David, Abednego Barnabas, Hugh H. Linn.

11. *What Members have completed the Conference Course of Study?*

(a) *Elected and ordained Elders this year.* Jotappa Jacob.

(b) *Elected and ordained Elders previously.* Cecil L. Camp, Charles F. Lipp.

(c) *Elected and ordained Elders under the Seminary Rule.* None.

12. *What others have been elected and ordained Deacons ?*
 (a) *As Local Preachers.* Alfred S. Booth and Gundam Paul.
 (b) *Under Missionary Rule.* None.
 (c) *Under the Seminary Rule.* None.
13. *What others have been elected and ordained Elders ?*
 (a) *As Local Deacons.* Manikkam Timothy, Pagadala Krishnaya, and Eleazer Surrey.
 (b) *Under Missionary Rule.* None.
14. *Was the Character of each Preacher examined ?* This was carefully attended to as the names were called in open Conference.
15. *Who have been Transferred and to what Conferences ?* None.
16. *Who have Died ?* C. W. Ross deSouza.
17. *Who have been Located at their own request ?* None.
18. *Who have been Located ?* None.
19. *Who have Withdrawn ?* None.
20. *Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints ?* None.
21. *Who have been Expelled ?* None.
22. *What other personal Notation should be made ?* The Parchments of Kondru Ambiah are to be withheld for at least one more year.
23. *Who are the Supernumerary Ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this Relation ?* None.
24. *Who are the Retired Ministers ?* Matthew Tindale.
25. *Who are the Triers of Appeals ?* H. F. Hilmer, K. E. Anderson, C. W. Scharer, J. H. Garden, Govindaraju Gershom.
26. *What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension ?* No Report.
27. *What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Foreign Missions ?* See Report.
28. *What is the Statistical Report ?* See Statistician's Report.
29. *What is the Conference Treasurer's Report ?* See Conference Treasurer's Report.
30. (a) *What is the aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer ?* Rs. 1,781-8-0.
 (b) *What is the aggregate of the Benevolent Collections ordered by the Annual Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer ?* Rs. 933-0-0.

31. *What are the Claims on the Conference Funds?*

For annuity distribution . . . years multiplied	RS. A.
by the Disciplinary rate of . . . per year ...	...
For necessitous distribution ...	...
Total ...	1,286-12-0

32. (a) *What has been received on these claims?*

From the Book Concern ...	1,372-5-4
From the Chartered Fund ...	...
From the Board of Conference Claimants ...	917-8-0
From Annual Conference Investments ...	842-13-0
From Pastoral Charges ...	727-0-0
Total ...	3,856-10-4

(b) *How has it been applied?* To the relief of widows and orphans of deceased Conference Members. See Conference Stewards Report :

33. *What amount has been appointed to the Pastoral Charges within the Conference, to be raised for the support of Conference Claimants?* See Report of Committee on apportionments.

34. *What amount has been paid by the Conference Treasurer to the Board of Conference Claimants for Connectional Relief?* Rs. 30.

35. *Where are the Preachers Stationed?* See List of Appointments.

36. *Where shall the next Conference be held?* Vikarabad, Deccan.

VIII. RULES OF ORDER

I. Business : How Brought Forward—

All the business of the Conference, excepting such as may be brought forward by the President, shall be introduced by motion.

II. Questions of Order—

All questions of order shall be determined by the President, whose decision shall in all cases prevail, unless overruled by an appeal to the Conference; any three members dissenting from the President's judgment, shall have a right to appeal to the Conference.

III. Committees : How Appointed—

The President shall appoint all Committees not otherwise specially ordered by the Conference.

IV. Motions Reduced to Writing—

All Motions or Resolutions introduced by any Member of the Conference shall be reduced to writing, if the Secretary or any Member request it.

V. New Motions—

No new Motion or Resolution shall be entertained till the one under consideration shall be disposed of, which may be by adoption or rejection, unless one of the following motions should intervene, namely, to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone to a given time, to refer, to postpone indefinitely, to amend; and these motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are placed.

VI. Rules of Discussion—

Every Member shall have a right to speak on any motion, but shall not speak more than five minutes at any one time, nor more than once on any one subject until all have spoken who desire to do so, unless by special permission of the Conference.

VII. Absence—

No Member shall absent himself from the services of the Conference unless he be sick or unable to attend.

VIII. To Close Discussion—

It shall be in order for any Member of the Conference, when he thinks a question has been sufficiently discussed, to move that the question be taken without further debate, and if the motion be sustained by two-thirds of the Members present and voting, the main question shall then be put without further discussion.

IX. Journal

FIRST DAY—OPENING SESSION

HYDERABAD, DECCAN,
17th December, 1919.

Devotions and Opening.—Bishop J. E. Robinson met the South India Conference on Wednesday, December 17th, at 8 A.M.; and conducted the devotional service, using the Third Chapter of First Thessalonians. The Devotional Service was followed by the Holy Communion.

Roll.—The Roll was called by the Secretary of the last session, J. D. Harris.

The following persons answered the Roll Call:—A. S. Abraham, K. E. Anderson, Abednego Barnabas, J. B. Buttrick, C. L. Camp, A. B. Coates, A. E. Cook, Ongole David, Nanappa Desai, D. O. Ernsberger, Govinduraju Gershom, E. J. Guest, J. D. Harris, W. H. Hollister, Jotappa Jacob, Garnipudi Joseph, Samuel Kanagarayan, W. L. King, Jonathan Karodi, J. J. Kingham, Malappa Lewis, H. H. Linn, C. F. Lipp, Manipalli Luke, Boaz Moses, K. G. Mittra, W. L. Morgan, Suhrudia Noah, V. G. Prakash, N. E. Samson, C. W. Scharer, Heta Singh.

Organization.—On motion of G. Gershom, J. J. Kingham was elected Secretary.

On motion of J. J. Kingham, C. F. Lipp and Ongole David were elected Assistant Secretaries.

C. L. Camp was elected Statistician.

J. B. Buttrick was elected Corresponding Secretary.

J. B. Buttrick was recommended to the Board of Foreign Missions for Mission Treasurer for the Conference.

C. F. Lipp was elected Conference Treasurer.

D. O. Ernsberger was elected Conference Historian.

Conference Bar.—On motion of G. Gershom the first four rows of seats were constituted the Conference Bar.

A. B. Coates moved that the wives of the Conference Members be invited to sit within the Conference Bar and to take part in the discussion.

J. J. Kingham moved to amend the original motion by adding the words—and the Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society—and it was carried. The motion as amended was adopted.

W. H. Hollister moved that the first four rows of seats be made the voting bar and it was adopted.

Introductions.—Bishop Robinson introduced the following returned Missionaries, new Missionaries and visitors: J. J. Kingham, Miss Montgomery, Mrs. Buttrick, Miss Mabel Morgan, Miss Watts, Miss Munson, Miss Margaret Morgan, Miss Kline, E. A. Seamands and Dr. H. W. Knight.

On motion of K. E. Anderson, Conference privileges were extended to A. S. Booth and Dr. H. W. Knight.

Memorial Tablet.—Bishop Robinson unveiled a Memorial Tablet to the memory of the late Pastor, C. W. Ross de Souza, with fitting and brotherly words of appreciation of the pastoral work of Brother Ross de Souza.

Standing Committees.—J. B. Buttrick announced the changes in the Standing Committees and they were adopted.

Special Representatives.—W. L. King read a letter from the Secretary of the South India Missionary Association regarding vernacular examinations. The Conference appointed the following Members as our representatives: Canarese, D. O. Ernsberger; Telugu, J. D. Harris; Tamil, J. J. Kingham; and Urdu, Miss Catherine Wood.

On motion of W. H. Hollister, H. E. Hilmer was appointed representative on the Council of aided Missionary Education of Mysore State.

Conference Privilege.—W. L. King briefly presented the matter of the Christian Literature for General and Centenary uses and announced a good supply available at this Conference.

Conference Programme.—On motion of W. L. King it was ordered that there be no session of the Conference this afternoon.

Memoirs.—Conference ordered the name of W. L. King to be added to the Committee on Memoirs.

Greetings.—Conference ordered that Brotherly Greetings and appropriate Scriptural Texts should be sent by the Secretary to the Secretaries of the Bengal and Central Provinces Conferences, and to G. K. Gilder and Matthew Tindale.

Order of the Day.—The Conference ordered that the election of General Conference delegates be the order of the day on Friday Morning immediately after the reading of the Minutes.

Reporters.—On motion of C. W. Scharer the following reporters were re-elected:—W. L. Morgan for English Periodicals, and Nanappa Desai and V. G. Prakash for Vernacular Papers.

Prayer Calendar.—On motion of A. B. Coates the Conference asked J. J. Kingham to prepare a Prayer Calendar for the coming year.

District Superintendents' Reports.—On motion of A. B. Coates it was ordered that each District Superintendent be allowed ten minutes in which to present his report.

C. F. Lipp moved that in future years the District Superintendents appoint one of their own number to prepare from their several reports a comprehensive survey and report of the state of the Church within the Conference for the current year and that it be considered the Conference Report on the State of the Church. After considerable discussion, on motion of A. B. Coates it was laid on the table for the present.

Adjournment.—On motion of J. B. Buttrick Conference adjourned after singing the Doxology, and the Benediction by D. O. Ernsberger.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION

HYDERABAD, DECCAN,
18th December, 1919.

Devotions.—The Devotional Service was conducted by W. H. Hollister.

Minutes.—The Conference was called to order at 9 o'clock, and the Minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Telegram.—A telegram from W. G. Gray was read, and on motion of G. Gershom, the Secretary was instructed to reply with the greetings of the Conference.

Visitors.—The Rev. F. C. Phillips of the C.M.S., and the Rev. J. W. Pickett of the North India Conference, Chairman of the Centenary Financial Campaign for India, were introduced.

Centenary.—J. W. Pickett presented the subject of the Centenary Financial Campaign.

Reports.—On motion of K. E. Anderson it was resolved that the reading of District Superintendents' Reports be dispensed with this year.

Amendment to Constitution.—The proposed Constitutional Amendment regarding lay representation in Annual Conferences, was presented by the Secretary.

On motion of W. L. Morgan it was laid on the table and its consideration was made the order of the day for Saturday morning.

Newark Conference Letter.—The suggestion of the Newark Conference to memorialize General Conference to consolidate the numerous Methodist Episcopal organizations doing Home Mission work was considered, and approved by a vote of twenty-eight to none.

The Communication of the Newark Conference regarding its Committee appointed for the study of methods of making appointments in the British Wesleyan Church and the Methodist Church of Canada, was read by the Secretary.

Programme.—On motion of J. D. Harris it was ordered that a Centenary Programme be held this evening.

Statistical Forms.—On motion of W. L. King, several questions regarding Statistical Forms were referred to the District Superintendents for report to the Conference.

Conference Entertainment.—On motion of J. D. Harris, a Committee of five was appointed to meet with a similar Committee from the Woman's Conference to consider the questions of Conference Entertainment and Travelling Expenses, and to report to the Conference.

Resolutions.—W. L. Morgan presented a resolution regarding the union of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society with the Board of Foreign Mission, and on motion of W. H. Hollister it was ordered to be typed and posted in a public place for reading and consideration.

J. B. Buttrick read the report of the action of the Executive Board regarding the reorganization of the Finance Committee, and on motion of W. L. King the subject was referred to the Finance Committee for report to the Conference.

Committee.—The Chairmen of Standing Committees announced meetings of Committees.

Adjournment.—On motion of J. B. Buttrick, Conference adjourned to meet at 1 o'clock.

After the Doxology, C. L. Camp pronounced the Benediction.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

Opening.—The Conference met at 1 o'clock, Bishop J. E. Robinson presiding. D. O. Ernsberger led in prayer.

Minutes.—The Minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Disciplinary Questions.—

Question I was taken up.—Is this Annual Conference incorporated according to the requirements of the Discipline?

It is incorporated as a Financial Board according to the requirements of Indian Law.

Question II was taken up.—Who have been received by transfer and from what Conferences?

The Bishop announced the Transfer of E. A. Seamands from West Ohio Conference on trial in Studies of Second Year.

Question IV was taken up.—Who have been received on Credentials and from what Churches? None.

Question VI was taken up.—Who have been continued on Trial?

(a) In studies of First Year.—The name of Boaz Moses was called, his character passed, the Registrar reported on his examinations, and on motion of W. H. Hollister, he was continued on Trial and placed in Studies of Second Year to bring up the Written Sermon of the First Year.

The name of Garnipudi Joseph was called and his character passed. The Registrar having reported, on motion of H. H. Linn, he was advanced to the Studies of the Second Year.

(b) In Studies of Second Year.—The name of Samuel Kanagarayan was called, and his character passed. The Registrar having reported, on motion of G. Gershom, he was advanced to Studies of Third Year.

Examinations.—On Motion of W. L. King it was resolved that all examinations given by the Board of Examiners be given in writing and that every paper be marked by two or more examiners.

Question VII was taken up.—Who have been Discontinued? None.

Question VIII was taken up.—Who have been admitted into full membership?

(a) Elected and ordained Deacons this year.

The name of Samuel Kanagarayan was called, and on motion of G. Gershom he was elected to Deacon's Orders and admitted to full membership.

(b) Elected and Ordained Deacons previously.

Question IX was taken up.—What Members are in Studies of Third Year?

(a) Admitted into Full Membership this year.—None.

(b) Admitted into Full Membership previously.—

(b) The name of Ongole David was called, his character passed, and the Registrar having reported, on motion of H. H. Linn, he was advanced to Studies of Fourth Year, to bring up Buck's Theology of Third Year, which was not obtainable at time of examination.

The name of Abednego Barnabas was called, his character passed, and the Registrar having reported, on motion of C. W. Scharer, he was advanced to Studies of Fourth Year, to bring up Hutcheon's Theology of Third Year.

Question X was taken up.—What Members are in Studies of Fourth Year? The name of H. H. Linn was called, his character passed, and the Registrar having reported, on motion of K. E. Anderson, he was continued in Studies of Fourth Year.

Question XI was taken up.—What Members have completed the Conference Course of Study?

The name of C. L. Camp was called, and, the Registrar having reported, on motion of J. D. Harris, he was declared to have completed the Conference Course of Study.

The name of C. F. Lipp was called, and the Registrar having reported, on motion of C. W. Scharer, he was declared to have completed the Conference Course of Study.

The name of Jotappa Jacob was called, and the Registrar having reported, on motion of C. L. Camp, he was declared to have completed the Travelling Preacher's Course.

On motion of C. L. Camp, Jotappa Jacob was elected to Elder's Orders.

Adjournment.—On motion of A. B. Coates, Conference adjourned to meet the following morning.

The Doxology was sung, and J. B. Buttrick pronounced the Benediction.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION

HYDERABAD, DECCAN,
19th December, 1919.

Devotion.—The Devotional Service was conducted by W. L. King.

Opening.—Bishop J. E. Robinson called the Conference to order.

Minutes.—The Minutes were read and approved.

Order of Day.—The Election of General Conference Delegates was taken up. The Bishop announced as Tellers, E. J. Guest and G. Gershom.

Election.—The Conference ordered that the Delegate and Reserve be each elected by majority vote.

C. E. Parker was elected Delegate on the second ballot.

M. D. Ross was elected Reserve Delegate on third ballot.

Introduction.—The Bishop introduced J. R. Chitambar, General Secretary of the India Epworth League, who brought greetings from the Central Provinces Mission Conference.

Committees.—The Bishop announced the following names as members of the Committee on Conference Entertainment:—

W. L. King,
J. D. Harris,
A. B. Coates,
J. B. Buttrick,
J. J. Kingham,

Miss Wood,
Miss Montgomery,
Mrs. Coates,
Miss Maskell,
Miss Wells.

Reorganization of Finance Committee.—J. B. Buttrick presented the report of the Conference Finance Committee on the recommendation of the Executive Board for reorganization of the Finance Committee, and it was adopted. (See Report.)

The Conference also adopted the suggestion of the Executive Board regarding the advantage of making the Finance Committee an Executive Body of the Conference.

Election of Central Conference Delegates.—On motion of J. B. Buttrick, the Conference ordered the Election of Delegates to Central Conference.

The Bishop announced as Tellers, A. E. Cook, Nanappa Desai, and E. A. Seamands.

The following were elected on the first ballot: J. D. Harris, J. B. Buttrick, Govinduraju Gershom, W. L. King, Nanappa Desai.

The Conference ordered that the three receiving the next highest numbers of votes be declared elected alternate delegates, and they were: A. B. Coates, C. L. Camp, and D. O. Ernsberger.

Resolutions.—J. B. Buttrick presented a resolution regarding the visit of J. W. Pickett. It was adopted. See Resolutions.

Baldwin Schools Accounts.—On motion of C. L. Camp the Conference ordered that in view of the fact that the Baldwin Boys' and Girls' Schools accounts are the only Conference accounts not under the supervision of the Audit Committee, that they henceforth come under the usual rules regarding the auditing of Mission accounts. This audit is to be in addition to that required by Government.

Conference on Telugu Work.—The Secretary read the report of the Conference of workers of various Missions in the Telugu Field, forwarded to this Conference by Bishop Azariah of Dornakal. It was referred to a committee composed of J. D. Harris, W. L. King, Ongole David, Miss Beck, and Miss Partridge.

Conference Stewards.—K. E. Anderson presented the Report of the Board of Conference Stewards and it was adopted.

Union of Mission Societies.—On motion of W. L. Morgan, it was resolved that this Conference request Central Conference to Memorialize General Conference to consolidate the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society with the Board of Foreign Missions with a view to unify the Foreign Missionary activities of the entire Church.

Adjournment.—On motion of K. E. Anderson it was resolved to adjourn to meet at 1 o'clock.

After the singing of the Doxology, J. R. Chitambar pronounced the Benediction.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

Opening.—Bishop J. E. Robinson called the Conference to order at 1 o'clock. Prayer was offered by C. L. Camp.

Minutes.—The Minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

Privileges of the Floor.—On motion of W. L. King the privileges of the floor were extended to J. R. Chitambar.

Question XII was taken up.—What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons?

(a) As Local Preachers. On recommendation of the Committee on Conference Relations it was resolved that Alfred S. Booth be Elected and Ordained a Local Deacon should the appointments render his ordination advisable.

Question XIII was taken up.—What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders?

(a) The names of Manikkam Timothy and Pagadala Krishnaya were called and on motion of their District Superintendent and the recommendation of the Committee on Conference Relations, they were elected to Local Elder's Orders.

Question V was taken up.—Who have been Received on Trial?

(a) In Studies of First Year. The name of Job P. Karodi was called. The Registrar reported on his examinations, and on recommendation of the Committee on Conference Relations, he was received on trial and placed in Studies of the First Year.

Question III was taken up.—Who have been re-admitted? None.

Recommendation to Finance Committee.—On recommendation of the Committee on Conference Relations it was resolved that the case of K. R. Gopalah be recommended to the Finance Committee for favourable consideration.

Question XXII was taken up.—What other personal notation should be made? On recommendation of the Committee on Conference Relations it was resolved that the parchments of K. Ambiah be withheld for at least one more year.

Question XV was taken up.—Who have been transferred and to what Conferences? None.

Question XVI was taken up.—Who have died? For the victorious life and death of C. W. Ross de Douza the Conference rose and sang the Doxology.

Question XVII was taken up.—Who have been Located at their own request? None.

Question XVIII was taken up.—Who have been Located? None.

Question XIX was taken up.—Who have Withdrawn? None.

Question XX was taken up.—Who have been permitted to Withdraw under Charges or Complaints? None.

Question XXI was taken up.—Who have been Expelled? None.

Question XXIII was taken up.—Who are the Supernumerary Ministers and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation? None.

Question XXIV was taken up.—Who are the Retired Ministers? Matthew Tindale.

Question XXVI was taken up.—What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Home Missions and Church Extension? None.

Question XXVII was taken up.—What is the Annual Report of the Conference Board of Foreign Mission? On motion of W. L. King, it was resolved that the report be referred for preparation, to the District Superintendents.

Question XXVIII was taken up.—What is the Statistical Report? It was announced that it would probably not arrive before Monday.

Question XIV was taken up.—Was the Character of each Preacher examined?

The name of Suhrudiah Noah was called and on motion of W. H. Hollister his character was passed.

The name of W. H. Hollister was called and his character passed.

The name of Malappa Lewis was called, he reported his collections and on motion of W. H. Hollister his character was passed.

The following names were called and characters passed:—H. F. Hilmer, C. W. Scharer, C. F. Lipp, A. B. Coates, A. E. Cook, C. L. Camp, N. E. Sampson, Jotappa Jacob, Heta Singh, K. E. Anderson, E. J. Guest, J. Simmons, J. B. Buttrick, Jonathan Karodi, V. G. Prakash, Nanappa Desai, J. D. Harris, A. S. Abraham, J. H. Garden, Manipalli Luke, Govinduraju Gershom, W. G. Gray, J. J. Kingham, W. L. King, D. O. Ernsberger, K. G. Mittra, H. H. Linn, C. E. Parker, W. L. Morgan, and M. D. Ross.

Adjournment.—The Conference adjourned by expiration of time.

FOURTH DAY—MORNING SESSION

HYDERABAD, DECCAN,

20th December, 1919.

Opening.—The Conference was called to order by Bishop J. E. Robinson at 8 o'clock.

Devotions.—The Devotional Service was conducted by E. A. Seamands.

Minutes.—The Minutes were read and approved.

Introductions.—A. A. Parker of the Bombay Conference, Director of Religious Education, and B. T. Badley of the North India Conference, Executive Secretary of the Centenary in India, were introduced and in turn briefly addressed the Conference. On motion of W. L. King the privileges of the Conference were extended to them both.

Order of the Day.—The Constitutional Amendment regarding lay representation in Annual Conferences was presented by the Secretary, and voted on as follows:—

For the Amendment—Three.

Against the Amendment—Twenty-three.

Memorial to General Conference.—On motion of W. L. King it was resolved that we memorialize General Conference that in case of the adoption of the Proposed Constitutional Amendment, provision should be made whereby Conferences in Mission Fields may be excused from applying it where its application would mean a larger lay than ministerial representation in the Annual Conference, and

Resolved that the Central Conference be requested to memorialize the General Conference to the same effect, and—

Further Resolved that we instruct our delegates to the General Conference to see that the conditions prevailing in Conferences in Mission Lands are given emphasis when opportunity offers, so as to assure provision being made for the best interests of our work.

Centenary Council.—On motion of A. B. Coates, B. T. Badley was requested to meet with the Committee on Nominations and advise in the selection of members of the Centenary Council.

Central Conference.—The Secretary read a letter regarding entertainment at Central Conference.

General Superintendents.—A. B. Coates introduced the following Resolution:—Resolved that South India Conference memorialize General Conference direct, and furthermore, request Central Conference to memorialize General Conference, to elect in future General Superintendents only for India.

After discussion, on motion of J. D. Harris, it was laid on the table.

Indian Representation at General Conference.—W. L. Morgan presented the following Resolution :—Resolved that this Conference request Central Conference to memorialize General Conference to provide that every Conference on the Foreign Field receive both missionary and native representation at General Conference, and that the General Conference enact the legislation necessary thereto.

The vote stood Yes, 15 ; No, 9.

Adjournment.—Conference adjourned to meet from 4-30 to 5-30 P.M. The Rev. A. A. Parker pronounced the Benediction.

FOURTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotions.—Conference was called to order at 4-30 by Bishop J. E. Robinson. The Rev. A. A. Parker led in Prayer.

Minutes.—The Minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Boundary Commission.—On motion of W. L. King it was resolved that the Delegates to Central Conference be our Commission on Boundaries to meet with like Commissions from other Conferences and represent us as may be found necessary.

Question XII was taken up.—What others have been Elected and Ordained Deacons ?

(a) As Local Preacher. On motion of H. H. Linn, Gundam Paul was elected to Local Deacon's orders.

Question XIII was taken up.—What others have been Elected and Ordained Elders ?

(b) As Local Deacon. On motion of J. D. Harris, Eleazer Surrey was elected to Local Elder's Orders.

Vernacular Examinations.—On motion of K. E. Anderson it was declared that W. L. Morgan had passed the required Vernacular Examinations.

Medical Committee.—The Report of the Medical Committee was read by C. F. Lipp. On motion of J. J. Kingham it was adopted.

Vernacular Literature.—W. L. King presented the Report of the Committee on Vernacular Literature. On motion of Ongole David it was adopted.

Kanarese Discipline.—The Report of the Committee on Translation of the Discipline into Kanarese was adopted.

Sunday Schools.—Ongole David presented the Report of the Committee on Sunday Schools. On motion of J. J. Kingham it was adopted.

Building Committee.—A. B. Coates read the Report of the Building Committee and it was adopted.

Nominations.—A partial report of the Committee on Nominations was adopted.

Adjournment.—Conference adjourned by expiration of time, Bishop J. E. Robinson pronouncing the Benediction.

FIFTH DAY—SUNDAY

HYDERABAD, DECCAN;

21st December, 1919.

Love Feast.—The Conference Love Feast, at 8 A.M., was conducted by A. E. Cook.

Memorial Service.—A Memorial Service for the Rev. C. W. Ross de Souza, and Mrs. Suhrudia Noah was conducted by Dr. W. L. King, followed immediately by the ordination service.

Ordination Service.—Bishop J. E. Robinson ordained to the office of Deacon, Alfred S. Booth, Samuel Kanagarayan, and Gundam Paul.

Centenary Address.—The Rev. B. T. Badley, M.A., Executive Secretary of the Centenary for India, delivered an inspiring address on the Centenary, Bishop Robinson presiding.

Vernacular Services.—A well-attended vernacular service was held at 4 P.M. when Govinduraju Gershom preached in Telugu and Nanappa Desai in Hindustani.

Ordination of Elders.—Conference was called to order at 6 P.M. by Bishop Robinson, who ordained the following Elders:—

Manikkam Timothy, Eleazer Surrey, Pagadala Krishnaya, Jotappa Jacob.

Centenary Address.—The Rev. Mr. Badley again presented the Centenary.

Farewell.—After dinner the Conference Members and other friends of Bishop and Mrs. Robinson gathered in the Y.M.C.A. Drawing Room for an informal farewell meeting. Addresses were delivered by Dr. King and Miss Maskell.

SIXTH DAY—MORNING SESSION

HYDERABAD, DECCAN;

December 22nd, 1919.

Devotions.—The Conference came to order at 8 o'clock, Bishop J. E. Robinson presiding, and K. E. Anderson conducted the devotional service.

Minutes.—The Minutes were read and approved.

Conference Historian.—W. L. King read the report of the Conference Historian, and it was adopted. (See Report.)

Missionary Episcopacy.—On motion of W. L. King the following resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote:—

Whereas our work in Southern Asia has enjoyed a very marked and ever-increasing measure of success under the administration of the Missionary Episcopacy, and

Whereas, the conditions created by many years of large upbuilding of the Church demand a leadership of experience gained on the field:

Be it resolved that we should sincerely deprecate any change in the policy of administration under which such large results have been reached and, further,

Resolved that we memorialize the Central Conference to memorialize General Conference to continue the Missionary Episcopacy for at least India and Burma.

On motion of C. L. Camp it was resolved that this Resolution be sent also direct to General Conference, and that we further instruct our Delegates to General Conference to vote for it.

Board of Foreign Missions.—The report of the Conference Board of Foreign Missions was presented by D. O. Ernsberger. (See Report.) It was adopted.

Building Committee.—On motion of A. B. Coates, it was resolved that the Rule of the Building Committee providing that all buildings or repairs to existing buildings involving an expenditure of Rs. 1,000 or over, must be submitted to the above Committee, shall be observed by the Baldwin Boys' and Girls' High Schools.

Nominations.—C. F. Lipp presented the Report of the Committee on Nominations, and it was adopted.

Madras Provincial Council of Missions.—On motion of J. D. Harris it was resolved that the Secretary inform the Madras Provincial Council of Missions of the various languages in which we have work, and ask representation for those languages in which as yet we are not represented on the Council.

Conference Board of Foreign Missions.—The Conference Board of Foreign Missions was appointed by the Chair, as follows:—D. O. Ernsberger, J. B. Buttrick, Nanappa Desai, A. E. Cook, A. S. Abraham.

Centenary Scripture and Tract Distribution Committee.—A letter from the Rev. J. Lampard was read, urging that the Conference estimate the number of scriptures and tracts required for the Centenary from the Christian Literature Society, the Religious Tract and Book Society, the British and Foreign Bible Society, and the Scripture Gift Mission. The Bishop appointed the following Committee to make the estimates:—C. W. Scharer, W. L. King, Miss Montgomery, J. D. Harris and G. Gershom.

Epworth League.—The Report of the Committee on Epworth Leagues was read by Miss King. It was adopted. (See Report.)

The Indian Witness—was presented by the Rev. B. T. Badley.

A letter from the Editor, Dr. F. B. Price, was read, requesting that this Conference elect a representative. A. B. Coates was elected as official correspondent and agent, for the *Indian Witness*.

State of the Church.—The Report of the Committee on the State of the Church was presented by Miss King. It was adopted. (See Report.)

Building Committee.—On motion of A. A. Coates it was resolved that the Rules of the Building Committee as printed in the Minutes of 1916 be reprinted in the Minutes of this Conference and that a number of extra copies be also struck off. (See Building Committee Report.)

On motion of C. L. Camp the Secretary was instructed to communicate with the Field Reference Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society to ascertain the attitude of that Committee with regard to the submission of plans to the Building Committee. See communication under Report of Building Committee.

"Little Brethren."—Miss Evans introduced the group of boys attending her school, and whom she calls the "Little Brethren," to the Conference.

Official Record.—On motion of C. F. Lipp the printed Minutes were made the Official Record of this Conference.

Question XXV was taken up.—Who are the Triers of Appeals? H. F. Hilmer, K. E. Anderson, C. W. Scharer, J. H. Garden, and G. Gershom.

Question XXIX was taken up.—What is the Conference Treasurer's Report? The Report was presented by C. F. Lipp. (See Report.) It was adopted.

Question XXXVI was taken up.—Where shall the next Conference be held? H. H. Linn presented the invitation of the Vikarabad Missionaries to Vikarabad. The invitation was accepted.

Total Abstinence.—The Report of the Committee on Total Abstinence was read by W. L. Morgan. On motion of W. L. King it was referred to the Committee for revision.

Publication of Minutes.—On motion of K. E. Anderson the Secretaries and the Agent of the Methodist Publishing House were made a Committee on the Publication of the Minutes.

Statistical Forms.—On motion of C. L. Camp, it was resolved that this Conference request Central Conference to change the statistical forms as follows :—

The columns under "Theological and Bible Training Schools" to read respectively: Number of Schools, Number of Teachers, Men, Women, Average Enrolment for year.

The columns under "High Schools" to read respectively : Number of Schools, Number of Teachers, Boys, Girls, Christians, Non-Christians, Total Average Enrolment for year ;

Like columns under "Middle Schools" and "Primary Schools" respectively ; and

Under "Grand Totals," the following : Total Teachers, Total Boys, Total Girls, Total Christians, Total Non-Christians, Total Average Enrolment, Number of Boys' Hostels, Number of Boys in Hostels, Number of Girls' Hostels, Number of Girls in Hostels.

Under "Christian Community," and under the sub-heading "Preparatory Members", the columns, Enrolled during year, Now on Roll, Baptized Children under 12 years. No other changes except the omission of the former heading, Baptized Children.

Apportionments.—On motion of W. L. King it was ordered that the Committee on Apportionments present the Apportionments to the Secretary for incorporation in the Minutes.

Number of Conference Minutes.—On motion of W. L. King it was ordered that the number of Conference Minutes to be printed be fixed at 350.

Election of Finance Committee.—The Conference proceeded with the Election of the Finance Committee. N. Desai and A. E. Cook were appointed Tellers. A. B. Coates, J. J. Kingham, and N. Desai were elected as members, and C. F. Lipp and A. S. Abraham as reserves.

Photograph in Memoirs.—The Agent of the Publishing House was instructed to insert a cut of the Rev. C. W. Ross de Souza in the Memoir.

Question XXX was taken up.—(a) What is the aggregate of the Benevolent Collections, ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer ? Rs. 1,781-8-0.

(b) What is the aggregate of the Benevolent Collections, ordered by the Annual Conference, as reported by the Conference Treasurer ? Rs. 933-0-0.

Question XXXI was taken up.—What are the Claims on the Conference funds ? Rs. 1,286-12-0.

Question XXXII was taken up.—See Treasurer's Report.

Question XXXIII was taken up.—What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral charges within the Conference, to be raised for support of Conference Claimants ? See Report of Committee on Apportionments.

Question XXXIV was taken up.—What amount has been paid by the Conference Treasurer to the Board of Conference Claimants for connectional Relief ? Rs. 30-0-0.

Adjournment.—Conference adjourned by expiration of time, Bishop J. E. Robinson pronouncing the Benediction.

SIXTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

Opening.—Conference was called to order in the Y.M.C.A. Drawing Room by Bishop J. E. Robinson at 2-30 P.M. and prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Fletcher of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, recently serving as General Director of Religious Work in Mesopotamia.

Minutes.—The Minutes were read and approved.

Introduction.—The Bishop introduced the Rev. Mr. Fletcher, who briefly addressed the Conference.

Conference Privileges.—On motion of W. L. King, Mr. Fletcher was given the privileges of the floor.

Aggressive Evangelism.—The Report of the Committee on Aggressive Evangelism was read by Govinduraju Gershom. It was adopted. (See Report.)

The Committee on Scripture and Tract Distribution.—Report was read by C. W. Scharer. It was adopted. (See Report.)

Committee on Audit.—The Report was read by A. B. Coates and adopted. (See Report.)

Statistics.—On motion of W. L. King the Publication Committee was authorized to embody the Statistical Report in the Minutes.

Board of Education.—Miss King presented the Report and it was adopted. (See Report.)

Board of Foreign Missions.—On motion of C. F. Lipp it was ordered that the vote of Thanks of the Conference be sent to the Board of Foreign Missions and the Rev. B. T. Badley, M.A., for the very acceptable extra grant which came to us during Conference time.

Central Conference Expenses.—On motion of W. L. King it was ordered that the expenses of the District Delegates be the first charge on Central Conference Fund and that the expenses of the Ministerial Delegates be referred to the Finance Committee.

Adjournment.—Conference adjourned at 3-30 to meet at 9 P.M.

SIXTH DAY—EVENING SESSION

Opening.—The Conference was called to order at 9 P.M. by Bishop J. E. Robinson. The Hymn, "I need Thee every hour" was sung, and W. L. King offered prayer.

Minutes.—The Minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Total Abstinence Committee.—The Report of the Committee on Total Abstinence was presented by W. L. Morgan, and was adopted. (See Report.)

Centenary Council.—The Report of the Centenary Council was presented by J. J. Kingham and was adopted. (See Report.)

Conference Entertainment.—The Report of the special Committee on Conference Entertainment was presented by W. L. King and was adopted. (See Report.)

Resolutions.—The Report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by K. E. Anderson and Ongole David. It was adopted. (See Report.)

Epworth League.—The Officers nominated and the Objectives suggested by the Conference Board of Epworth Leagues were presented by W. L. Morgan. The Report was adopted. (See Report.)

Telugu Conference.—Ongole David read the Report of the Committee on the suggestions from the Telugu Conference, and the Report was adopted. (See Report.)

Bishop and Mrs. Robinson.—K. E. Anderson presented a resolution relating to the long connection of Bishop and Mrs. Robinson with the work in India and Burma, appreciative of their long service and with reference to his early retirement. The Resolution was adopted by a unanimous rising vote. The Bishop responded in appreciative tone and with deep emotion.

Minutes.—The Minutes were read and approved.

Prayer.—J. B. Buttrick and G. Gershom offered prayer.

Appointments.—The Bishop addressed the Conference briefly and then read the Appointments.

Adjournment.—After the singing of the Doxology, the Bishop pronounced the Benediction, and Conference adjourned.



President.

J. J. KINGHAM,

Secretary.

Bishop J. E. Robinson presented for record the following

Certificate of Ordination

This is to certify that at Hyderabad, Deccan, on the Twenty-First day of December, 1919, under the election of the South India Conference, I ordained to the Office of Deacon, ALFRED S. BOOTH, SAMUEL KANAGARAYAN, and GUNDAM PAUL.

Also at the same place, on the Twenty-First day of December, 1919, under the election of the South India Conference, assisted by several elders, we ordained to the Office of Elder, MANIKKAM TIMOTHY, ELEAZER SURREY, PAGADALA KRISHNAYA, and JOTAPPA JACOB.

A large, stylized handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "J. E. Robinson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

Presiding Bishop.

X. Appointments for 1920

RESIDENT BISHOP—BISHOP J. E. ROBINSON, D.D., LL.D.
(P.O., Bangalore)

I. Annual Conference Appointments

BANGALORE DISTRICT

Superintendent, H. F. Hilmer (P.O., Kolar Town)

Bangalore—Vernacular Circuit.....	SUHRUDIA NOAH.
Bowringpet—Kuppam Circuit.	...To be supplied.
Haralkunte Circuit.....	..To be supplied.
Hudukula Circuit.....	(<i>E. Kasim.</i>)
Kolar—Industrio-Educational Work and Boys' Boarding School.....	H. F. HILMER.
Kanarese Church.....	MALAPPA LEWIS, (<i>Boaz Moses.</i>)
Mulbagal Circuit.....	(<i>Y. John Mark.</i>)
Srinivasapur Circuit.....	(<i>Martin Luther.</i>)
Vemgal Circuit.....	(<i>James B. Lowe.</i>)
Language Study.....	(<i>E. A. Seamands.</i>)
Village Industrials.....	SUHRUDIA NOAH.
On leave.....	W. H. HOLLISTER.

BELGAUM DISTRICT

Superintendent, C. W. Scharer (P.O., Belgaum)

Ankalgi Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Athni Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Bail-Hongal Circuit.....	A. E. COOK.
Bagavadi-Kiltur.....	A. E. COOK.
Belgaum—Kanarese Church and City Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Beynon-Smith High School, Principal and Headmaster.....	A. B. COATES.
Belgaum Village Circuit.....	...A. B. COATES.
Chikodi Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Gokak Industrial Settlement.....	C. F. LIPP.
Settlement Inspector.....	(<i>R. N. Moses, L.E.</i>) Pastor to be supplied.
Gokak Falls Circuit.....	C. F. LIPP.
Hukeri Circuit.....	Missionary to be supplied.
Khanapur Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Kowjalgi Circuit.....	(<i>P. J. Amaravati.</i>)
Naganur Circuit.....	(<i>S. Kanakikoppa, L.E.</i>)
Nipani Circuit.. . . .	To be supplied.
Rabkari Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Yergatti Circuit.....	(<i>S. Aralikatti.</i>)
Workers' Training School.....	Missionary to be supplied.
Secretary of Village Primary and Sunday Schools.....	(<i>Abednego Barnabas.</i>)

BIDAR DISTRICT

Superintendent C. L. Camp (P.O., Bidar *via* Hominabad, Deccan)

Bidar—Boys' Boarding School.....	C. L. CAMP.
Kanarese Church.....	J. JACOB
Medical Work.....	To be supplied.
Bidar Circuit.....	To be supplied
Burdiapur Circuit.....	(<i>M. Timothy, L.E.</i>)
Hominabad Circuit.....	N. E. SAMSON.
Janvarda Circuit.....	(<i>P. Krishnaya, L.E.</i>)
Manhalli Circuit.....	N. E. SAMSON.
Nailkail Circuit.....	(<i>M. Timothy, L.E.</i>)
Narainabad and Ratnapur Circuit.....	HETA SINGH.

ENGLISH DISTRICT

Superintendent, K. E. Anderson (P.O., Richmond Town, Bangalore)

Bangalore—Baldwin Boys' High School, Principal and Correspondent.....	E. J. GUEST.
English Church and Blackpully Mission...	K. E. ANDERSON.
Belgaum English Church and Chaplaincy.....	C. W. SCHARER
Hyderabad English Church.....	(<i>A. S. Booth, L.D.</i>)
Madras—Vepery, Otary, and Royapuram.....	(<i>G. S. Rogè, L.E.</i>)
Secunderabad English Church.....	To be supplied.
On leave.....	J. W. SIMMONS.
MATTHEW TINDALE (Retired Minister).	

GULBARGA DISTRICT

Superintendent, J. B. Buttrick (P.O., Gulbarga, Deccan)

Chitapur Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Dudhni Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Gulbarga Church and Circuit.....	JONATHAN KARODI.
Village Workers' Training School and Headmaster of Boys' School.....	(<i>Job P. Karodi.</i>)
Shahabad Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Shahpur Circuit.....	V. G. PRAKASH.
Shorapur Circuit.....	V. G. PRAKASH.
Yadagiri Circuit.....	(<i>K. Rudrappa, L.E.</i>)
Evangelist to Lingaites.....	NANAPPA DESAI (Post Office, Shorapur, Deccan.)

HYDERABAD DISTRICT**Superintendent J. D. Harris (P.O., Hyderabad, Deccan)**

Hyderabad—Hindustani Circuit.....	(<i>E. Surrey, L.E.</i>)
Telugu Circuit.....	A. S. ABRAHAM.
Bible Institute, Principal.....	J. D. HARRIS.
Kardundi Circuits.....	(<i>V. John, L.P.</i>)
Narsingpet Circuit.....	(<i>M. Devanandam.</i>)
Peddamangalavaram Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Thalapuram Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Yellandu Church.....	(<i>B. Josiah Lyman, L.D.</i>)
„ Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Ramchandrapet Circuit.....	(<i>K. Ananta Rao.</i>)
Translator of Vernacular Literature.....	(<i>J. Venkatachellum, L.D.</i>)

MADRAS DISTRICT**Superintendent, Govindaraju Gershom (P.O., Vepery, Madras)**

Madras—Vepery Tamil Church and City Circuit	GOVINDARAJU GERSHOM and SAMUEL KANAGARAYAN.
City Telugu Circuit.....	(<i>R. Jesudasan, L.P.</i>)
Village Circuit.....	W. G. GRAY.
Boys' Boarding School	W. G. GRAY.
Tuticorin Church and Circuit.....	J. J. KINGHAM. One to be supplied.
Ottapidarum and Pudukota Circuits.....	J. J. KINGHAM.
Pudur Circuit.....	(<i>D. Vedanayagam, L.D.</i>)
Pondicherry Circuit.....	To be supplied.

Methodist Publishing House

W. L. KING, Agent, Member of Telugu Quarterly Conference.

RAICHUR DISTRICT**Superintendent, D. O. Ernsberger (P.O., Raichur, Deccan)**

Devadurgi Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Kopbal Circuit.....	(<i>F. E. Aiman, L.D.</i>)
Kushtigi Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Lingsagur Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Manvi Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Raichur Circuit.....	K. G. MITRA.
Yerrigiri Circuit.....	(<i>D. S. Matthew.</i>)

VIKARABAD DISTRICT

Superintendent, H. H. Linn (P.O., Vikarabad, Deccan)

Aloor Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Dharur Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Daulatabad Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Gurdimetkal Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Kankal Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Kortipully Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Kordungal Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Kosgi Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Kohir, Kumkole and Momeinpet Circuits.....	C. L. CAMP.
Mudella Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Mudoor Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Pergi Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Shankarpully Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Tandur Circuit.....	M. LUKE.
Vikarabad Circuit.....	To be supplied.
" J. L. Crawford Boys' School.....	JUDSON WASHBURN.
" Assistant Principal.....	ONGOLE DAVID.
" Huldah A. Crawford Memorial Hospital.....	H. H. LINN.
" Village Workers' Training School.....	J. H. GARDEN.
District Sunday School Secretary.....	G. JOSEPH, L.D.
On leave.....	C. E. PARKER, M. D. ROSS, W. L. MORGAN.

To preach the Conference Sermon :—W. G. Gray ;
Alternate E. A. Seamands.

2. Woman's Annual Conference

BANGALORE DISTRICT

District Work.....	MRS. HILMER.
Bangalore—Vernacular Work.....	MRS. ROBINSON.
Bowringpet-Kuppam Circuit.....	To be supplied.
Kolar—Boys' Boarding School.....	MRS. HILMER.
E. T. Cowen Hospital.....	To be supplied.
Girls' Boarding School.....	MISS FISHER, MISS EMMEL.
Evangelistic, School and Zenana Work.....	MISS MASKELL.
Vemgal Circuit.....	To be supplied.
On leave.....	MISS M. LEWIS, M.D., MISS GRIFFIN, MRS. W. H. HOLLISTER.

BELGAUM DISTRICT

Bail-Hongal, and Bagvadi Kittur Circuits.....	MRS. COOK.
Belgaum Circuit—Evangelistic Work and Girls' Boarding and Day Schools.....	MISS ERICSON.
Christian Boys' Hostel.....	MRS. COATES.
Ankalgi and Yergatti Circuits.....	MRS. COATES.
Gokak settlement, Evangelistic and school work.....	MRS. LIPP.
Gokak, Huken and Chikedi Circuits.....	MRS. LIPP.
Kowjalgi, Naganur and Palkani Circuits.....	Missionary to be supplied.
Language Study.....	MISS MUNSON.
On leave.....	MRS. SCHARER.

BIDAR DISTRICT

District Work and Boys' Boarding School.....	MRS. CAMP.
Girls' Boarding School.....	MISS REXROTH, MISS KING.
Evangelistic Work and Village Schools.....	MISS MONTGOMERY.
On leave.....	MISS MORROW.

ENGLISH DISTRICT

Bangalore—Baldwin Boys' High School.....	MRS. GUEST.
Baldwin Girls' High School, Principal and Correspondent.....	MISS M. E. ROBINSON.
English Church.....	MRS. ANDERSON.
Belgaum, English Church.....	To be supplied.
Hyderabad, English Church.....	Supplied by MRS. BOOTH.
Madras, Vepery Church.....	Supplied by MRS. ROGE.
Secunderabad, English Church.....	To be supplied.
On leave.....	MRS. SIMMONS.

GULBARGA DISTRICT

District Work.....MRS. BUTTRICK.
 Gulbarga—Boys' Boarding School.....To be supplied.
 District Evangelistic and School Work.....Missionary to be supplied.

HYDERABAD DISTRICT

District Work and Bible Institute.....MRS. HARRIS.
 Hyderabad Telugu, Kardundi, Narsingpet, and
 Peddamanglevaramu Circuits.....MISS WELLS.
 Elizabeth K. Stanley Girls' School.....MISS EVANS.
 Hindustani Circuit.....MISS WOOD.
 Yellandu Circuits and Primary School.....MRS. HARRIS.
 On leave.....MISS LOW.

MADRAS DISTRICT

District Work.....MRS. GERSHOM.
 Madras—Woman's Mission Home.....MISS YOUNG.
 Bible Woman's Zenana and Evangelistic
 Work.....One to be supplied.
 Girls' Boarding School and Educational Work...MISS YOUNG.
 Boys' Boarding School.....MRS. GRAY.
 Methodist Publishing House, Christian Literature.....MRS. KING.
 Tuticorin Church and Circuits.....MRS. KINGHAM.
 Ottapidaram, Pudur and Puducottah Circuits.....MRS. KINGHAM.
 Pondicherry Circuit.....To be supplied.
 On leave MISS TOLL.

RAICHUR DISTRICT

District Work.....MRS. ERNSBERGER.
 Girls' Boarding School.....MISS WATTS.
 On leave.....MISS BREWER.

VIKARABAD DISTRICT

District Evangelistic Work.....MISS SIMONDS, MISS BECK.
 Aloor, Kohir, Kortipully, Kumkole, Momeinpet and
 Shankerpully Circuits.....MISS MARGARET MORGAN.
 Vikarabad, Crawford Memorial Hospital.....MISS KLINE, MRS. LINN.
 Mary A. Knott's Girls' School.....MISS MABEL MORGAN.
 Training School for Village Workers.....MISS SIMONDS.
 On leave.....MRS. C. E. PARKER, MRS. J. H. GARDEN,
 MISS PARTRIDGE, MRS. W. L. MORGAN.

XI. District Reports

BANGALORE DISTRICT

REV. W. H. HOLLISTER, *Superintendent*

As I approach the close of another term of service with the consent of our Board to take a year of rest, so fitly called by some a sabbatic year, my heart goes out in praise to God in the language of the Psalmist, when radiant spiritual vision led him to write that sweetest of all Psalms, "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever". During the last seven years I have had but few days in the Hills for rest, and equally few for pleasure trips. With the exception of four days illness during last Conference session, when influenza asserted its painful prerogative, no day has been entirely lost to some phase of the work on account of sickness. The nature of my work has led me to adhere somewhat closely to a twelve-hour day because I had not strength as of yore for a longer day.

As twenty-seven out of my thirty-two years of service in India have been spent within the bounds of the Bangalore District the hour of again bidding farewell to its loved associations, to dear fellow workers and Missionaries, compels a mood at once introspective, retrospective and prospective.

In 1892 when fever had led some to despair of my life there came an hour when my spirit prepared for flight. Bearers carried me on a litter down the defiles of a dark valley in which flowed a river. Demoniac forms made the valley terrifying with their laments, harsh cries, and murmurings. Just as the feet of the bearers entered the shallow stream an arch demon demanded in tones of anger "What right have you to enter here"? Greatly affrighted I made bold to answer, "I have no right but that granted by the blood of Jesus". In a moment the demons fled and all about me were encircling walls of angel forms and faces. In the midst was Jesus and He came forward and took me up in His arms, as a mother takes her babe, and in tones of infinite tenderness and love said, "I will not take you across now; I have other work for you to do". As strength slowly came back to me the outlines of that work and some of the details of method were made very clear. Thus was the place of Industrio-Education in our work laid upon my heart and I have never swerved from following what seemed to me God's plan for my part in that work. So it came about that my work has been a little different from that of others; different from what some, at times, may have wished me to do.

At times it has been far from my personal choice. It is easier to say, "I'll go where you want me to go, dear Lord", than it is to say "I'll stay where you want me to stay."

I have sometimes longed intensely for Fruitful fields ; to share in work where souls dare speak aloud of hunger for Christ ; I have willed to sow in soil deep and mellow and not where depth of root is infrequent and where the fowls of the air devour the seed.

If I have not harvested in spectacular manner, or even in a markedly visible way from soil both stony and of excessive hardness, it helps me to abstain from reproach and self-condemnation to reflect that some of the most consecrated, faithful and saintly men and women of the Conference, toiling in the same field, have felt the same sense of defeat, of prayers unanswered and faith uncrowned with victory. I reflect also that the saintly and devoted men and women of other Missions, working in similar soil, are having like experience. Does this suggest that the work on the Bangalore District is very discouraging ? It is an admission that it has one very discouraging aspect. That aspect looms large when dear friends and well wishers come forward with a yard stick or tape line graduated with figures representing "Inquirers," "Baptisms" and "Number of Christians". Alongside this frank admission I want to place on record my conviction that large values resulting from the work done are revealed in many ways. The discreet and wise gospel messenger is received with kindness and welcome everywhere. His message, if it be spoken worthily, is heard with an open ear and by many with an open heart and kindly encouraging word.

Paradoxical as it may seem there is both mellowness and hardness in the soil of many lives. The hardness might perhaps better be designated lethargy. Failure to decide for Christ has led to a benumbing of the faculty of decision and of facing consequent persecution and ostracism. The gospel leaven has permeated the intellectual and moral life of many so deeply that it has led them to sense the fact that they are their brother's keeper, and that fundamentally, regardless of caste bonds and limitations, all are brethren.

The attitude toward education is that of Christian lands. Briefly expressed it is this. All men owe to childhood, youth and early manhood and womanhood also, a free literary or vocational education. That attitude will more and more limit us in our educational work. While this is right for it places that burden where it belongs, on the tax-payer and the state, and not on the coming church, it limits us in our aims in that work.

The scope, the breadth of educational effort is born of the spirit of Christ. I doubt if there is any section of India where vocational, industrial and agricultural phases of education take a more prominent place in the mind of leaders of thought than in the Mysore State. The Wesleyan Mission and London Mission deserve highest praise for their educational work and the work our Mission has done, and is doing, compares favourably with theirs and receives grateful acknowledgment from many. I am not unmindful of the fact that there are

those in our Conference who attach little importance to such work as is being done on industrial lines in Kolar. Frankly it is far below my ideal. I quite agree it is easier to beg money with pen, type-writer and printers ink, than to secure it by the brain of a Missionary combined with the labour of the students in garden, field and workshop. But the easiest and the most travelled pathway may not be the best. I believe in self help because of what it does *in* a student as well as *for* him. I believe the economic spirit and economic achievements of peoples and individuals are inseparably interwoven into their thinking, their spiritual life and the making of the full man. When in America I heard one of the foremost Mission instructors of our Church, a man who knows the Orient well, emphasize the necessity of the economic development of non-Christian peoples as equally important as pressing the baptismal rite. It is putting the gospel message in concrete form and not a few missionaries of our own and other Boards hold strongly the same view.

One glimpse of the influence exerted by the industrial school is revealed in the figures taken from the account books which show that during the past *ten* years the school has sold three thousand and six hundred ploughs. A plough a day for ten years; and the supply has been far below the demand. Are the ploughs used? The sale of five thousand seven hundred and fifty extra shares, to replace those worn out, is a sufficient answer.

The school has widely influenced the standards, the styles and quality of office and household furniture. It has also been the pioneer and the best concrete example in Mysore State of the use of machinery in vocational education and the making of furniture.

The Boys' Boarding and Day School under Mrs. Hollister's care has, in every aspect of their work, that stamp which is found only where supervision is wise, tireless, fully conversant with Indian life and inspired by love that impels to constant service.

The Girls' Boarding and Day School has been for years nearly perfect in its every appointment and arrangement. In its upbuilding and development certain names will long be cherished, pre-eminently that of Miss Fisher, who, because of length and unusual scope of service has here done a work of broad and abiding influence. Miss Rexroth has been doing excellent work and is demonstrating fitness for her place in the school.

The Village schools and Zenana work have been under Miss Maskell's care for many years. With tireless spirit, a supervision that extends to every detail, and aided by Assistants and Bible-women true and tried, this phase of our work makes excellent progress in spite of many obstacles.

The Bangalore section of woman's work has been most efficiently cared for by Mrs. Robinson. Day schools and Sunday schools and Zenana work have been carried on without flourish of trumpet but rather with patient seed-sowing in faith and hope of later harvest.

Sunday schools and Bible schools throughout the District have received full measures of attention. Many of the scholars in these schools are so related to our school system that they have a higher average of care and instruction than is possible in many places. We could add to their numbers but it would necessarily be at the cost of efficiency at some other point.

EVANGELISTIC WORK.—While circumstances have compelled me to give less time than usual to evangelistic work, I think no year of the past shows a better record of evangelistic work in proportion to our staff of workers. Brother Noah has been in all but name, District evangelist. Fervent in spirit, a wise leader of men, strong in faith, he has gone, in season and out of season, to places far and near preaching at times where the gospel has not hitherto been heard. At the close of each tour he came back with a joyful countenance and heart eager to set forth again. We all deeply sympathise with Brother Noah in the sudden and great bereavement that deprives him of one who was a helpmeet indeed.

MEDICAL WORK.—Early in the year Miss Griffin left for America on her overdue furlough. Dr. Lewis' health and strength have been far from adequate for such a heavy work ever since her return. Few battle more earnestly or bravely for a lengthening of service in India than has Dr. Lewis. Thoroughly competent as a physician, tender and sympathetic in her dealings with the sick, Christians and non-Christians alike lament that she also had to go on furlough. The empty hospital buildings dumbly bespeak our grief at their temporary closing; at the same time they betoken our purpose to again open their doors at the earliest opportunity.

The colportage work has been pushed continuously during the year. Our sales on October 4th for the entire District were three thousand two hundred and eighty-one.

Our plans for the future call for a married man to develop the Kuppam Circuit. Another Missionary is needed for the Srinivasapur and Mulbagal section which should become a fruitful field. An aggressive policy cannot be developed with our present financial resources and paucity of workers.

We are glad to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Seamands to the work, but according to the recent rules of the Conference their time will of necessity be given to language study most of the coming year.

The service I have rendered the past seven years has been a glad service, sharing both the joys and sorrows of my fellow toilers. I owe a deep debt of gratitude to not a few for inspiration by example and precept. What does the future hold? In my thirty-seven years in the ministry I have never sought a place or to influence my appointment and now "God holds the key of all unknown and I am glad. If other hands should hold the key, or if He trusted it to me, I might be sad."

W. H. HOLLISTER.

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BELGAUM DISTRICT

C. W. SCHARER, *Superintendent*

IN giving this report I desire to express my gratitude to God for His blessings and care during the past year.

When we began the year many of our people still had influenza, some died from the dreaded disease. There has been some cholera and plague in our district during the past year, but the death-rate was small in comparison with past years. There has been some illness in the Boarding Schools, such as is common, but the missionaries and those who work with them have been spared the days and weeks of anxiety watching over the influenza and cholera-stricken sick and dying.

The famine conditions in some parts of the district were very distressing indeed. Several of our Christian communities left and went miles away in search of work and food. Many others who remained in their villages ate cactus fruit, wild berries, roots, or most anything they could find. We were able to purchase grain for some of the most needy with what money we could get for the famine. I wish here to record my thanks for the amounts our friends in America gave. Some responded to our needs by way of special gifts through the Board of Foreign Mission and some through the Christian Herald Fund. Government spent over 600,000 dollars, I am told, to help the needy. Many in our district began to give up hope for a harvest for another year, but the rains, though late came, and now the indications for a harvest are good and the outlook for the coming year is hopeful. My! how beautiful the fields of waving grain look to us this year.

We have been greatly encouraged with the help received from the Mass Movement funds during the year. We thank the donors for the fund. It enabled us to open up a number of schools, appoint a number of new preachers, and train a large number of men for the work. We have just heard that the Mass Movement money may not be forthcoming next year. We are glad the Mass Movement is not ended. The people in many villages are on our waiting list, but it is exceedingly imperative for us to get funds from some other source to continue this work. If we do not get funds we shall have to close up the work begun by the fund. What a pity! It is so hard to say *no* to people who are urging us to come and instruct them. (We have refused many calls this year.) But to close up a work for lack of funds is heart-breaking for the Missionary as well as for the people who have accepted Christ. It would have been much better if the

work had never been begun, if we must close it. It will be absolutely necessary to close up some of our work unless funds come to carry it on.

The District Conference was preceded by a meeting in charge of Tamil David. Bishop J. E. Robinson was with us for two days during our District Conference. We can truthfully say that our District Conference, Summer School, and Evangelistic meeting have been the best in the history of the district. The Bishop's instructive addresses and Tamil David's searching Bible-readings were an inspiration and help to all our workers and the young people of the Church and Boarding Schools. There were many confessions of sin and failure and some restitution. A number of the young people of the congregation and the Boarding Schools were converted. I believe all who were present were helped and did better work this year.

The Evangelistic campaign was carried on in all the circuits, and the results were good; there were a number of conversions and many idols were surrendered. Several thousand Scripture portions, tracts and handbills were sold and distributed. All of the circuits show good substantial progress this year. Regular evangelistic work is carried on in all the circuits.

The interest among the caste people is growing in Bail-Hongal Circuit. We hope the day is not far in the future when many will come out boldly and own Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour.

The work amongst women is improving, and there has been real definite teaching done among them. This work is in charge of Miss Ericson in Belgaum City and surrounding villages, and Miss Miller, Mrs. Scharer, and Mrs. Lipp in the district. Miss Miller reports that she has seven village-women taken on as helpers this year. These women work along with and are trained by more experienced women. Miss Miller writes, "I believe more women are being taught than formerly, and more still would be, if the plan for touring was fully carried out; but, because of unfavourable conditions for touring, it has not been fully carried out as planned."

The number of baptisms this year is 841. We have many villages on the waiting list. May the day soon dawn when we can care for all the people who are waiting for instruction.

The young people of our Epworth League have taken a more active part in Christian work this year. Some from the Hostel and several from the congregation are doing regular Christian work. There are seventy-five members in our Epworth League and seventy-two in our Junior League. The Juniors are taking much interest in their work under the leadership of one of Miss Ericson's trained teachers.

The Colporteur work has been pushed, and in some of the circuits excellent results have been attained. Sixty-seven Bibles, eighty-two New Testaments, and 9,217 Portions have been sold. Ten thousand

four hundred and ninety-eight Tracts and handbills were sold or distributed.

We now have 135 Sunday schools in the district with an enrollment of 3,966 scholars. This is an increase of twenty Sunday schools and 591 scholars. We had Mr. and Mrs. Annett with us for two days in July. Their addresses on lesson preparation and child training were very helpful indeed. Many of our workers are trying to follow, when they teach, the instruction given by Mr. and Mrs. Annett.

The Gokak Criminal Tribes Settlement is a new work taken over from Government last January. Brother and Sister Lipp are in charge of this work, and they have had a very interesting time looking after the people. There have been a number of discouraging subjects among the older people, but a more promising lot of young people would be hard to find anywhere. A number have asked for baptism, and one man announced one day that some day they all would become Christians.

Brother and Sister Moses were transferred from the Belgaum Kanarese Church to help in the Settlement work. They are giving themselves whole-heartedly to the strange and trying duties, and already have won the confidence of the people.

There are nearly 500 people in the Settlement. Government plans to increase this number. Some of these people work in the Cotton Mills, and some do cooly work. Some of the children work half-time in the mills and attend School half-time. There are over 100 children in School.

The District Superintendent of Police told me that his work is lessened by half since this work began. Brother Lipp writes, "One needs but to be in the School with the children to be enthusiastically inspired with confidence as to what good and faithful service will count for in their future lives. No Missionary can ask for a more hopeful task."

This has been a year of advancement in educational work. We have 101 schools in the district with an enrollment of 2,503, an increase of twelve schools and 526 pupils.

Benyon-Smith High School in charge of Brother Coates has had the best year in the history of the school. The enrollment is 537. This is more than can be accommodated in the present classrooms. Several classes are on the verandahs. A plot of ground has been given to the mission free of the purchasing price by the Cantonment authorities for a new building. The plan for the new class rooms has been submitted to Government for approval. We trust that the Centenary funds for the new structure will soon be forthcoming.

There are twenty-two girls in the High School, five of whom are studying in the Matriculation class. Eleven of the twenty-two are Christians, eight from our Girls' Boarding School. Fourteen boys

passed the Matriculation Examination last March. Edwin Gershom and Job Karodi have both reached the standard of education required for entrance into Annual Conference. Another young man from Gokak Circuit, who feels called to the ministry, will sit for the examination this year. The Bible is regularly taught in all classes. A number of Scriptures have been sold and more than 3,000 religious tracts have been distributed to the students and their parents during the year. Brother Coates writes, "We have begun sending out personal letters on religion to nearly 500 educated people in Belgaum and vicinity. The letters seem to be well received. There are about 100 University graduates in the Belgaum City. These men must be reached before we can feel that we are efficiently performing the task that has been entrusted to our Church here.

The Girls' Boarding School has had another successful year. The school dormitory is overcrowded. Eight of the girls attend the High School and three have gone to Dharwar Training College. The Government grant was increased over two hundred rupees.

The Caste Girls' Schools both in Belgaum and in Bail-Hongal have an increase in numbers. These schools are well staffed and are doing good work.

The village Primary schools have increased this year by twelve. Some of the village boys are attending the High School and a number are working as pupil teachers in the day-time and studying at night. This helps to supply a great need in the work.

We have thirty-two students in the Training School and in classes in the district. Some good work has been done, but unless we get a Spirit-filled Missionary to give his whole time to this important work, we shall not be able to supply the increasing demand for workers fully trained to look after our circuits.

The Boys' Hostel in charge of Mrs. Coates is overcrowded. We hope to enlarge the building as soon as we can get the necessary funds from the Centenary.

Our plans for the Centenary are to "go over the top." How far we go towards it or beyond will be known later. We call upon our co-labourers and people of the district to accept the high privilege, and to yield themselves and money, and pledge themselves to the call now. We plan to use the endowment that we must raise to endow scholarships, interest to be used to support students in our schools who are candidates for the ministry.

Our strenuous effort toward self-support did not meet our expectations in actual cash. The amounts reached show a little advance over last year. This we consider a great victory while famine conditions were so manifest in our field. The net increase for pastoral support by the Indian Church is 21 rupees. The total raised for all purposes for the year, including 1,500 rupees raised

toward the Centenary fund, is 4,886 rupees. This is 1,209 rupees more than last year, an excellent record indeed when we consider the conditions.

We believe that the Belgaum field offers one of the largest opportunities for successful Christian work. Nearly everywhere we meet with a marked spirit of friendliness. I do not think there is as much persecution as formerly, and where there is we have been able to get justice in the Courts. The caste people are friendly and listen to the Gospel, the out-castes are calling us. The roads are good, and the villages are large and accessible. There have been a number of industries begun in the district which will prove large centres in the near future. Many of the educated people we meet in the villages were educated in our Mission schools, and are friendly and open to the truth. It is utterly impossible with the present staff of four Parent-board missionaries and two of them in institutional work, to cover and superintend a district 120 miles long and 80 miles wide with a population of over one and one-half million people living in nearly two thousand villages.

In conclusion, I wish to praise God that He has spared all Missionaries and workers during the past year, and has permitted all to work another year in His vineyard. None of the 175 workers have died or have suffered any serious illness during the year.

I thank all the Missionaries and other workers for their help and council during the past year. And we thank God for all our patrons and friends in America who sent us the funds for this work. Our future is hopeful and our trust is in God.

C. W. SCHARER.

BIDAR DISTRICT

C. L. CAMP, *Superintendent.*

FOR one whole year the Bidar District has survived and appears to be a sturdy youngster with great hopes for the future. It was born amidst the terrible pestilence of Influenza that swept every village through the months of November and December, when 280 Christian souls were called out into the great unknown to meet their God. One out of every eighteen of our Christians was called Home. Among the Hindus and Muhammadans the mortality was far greater for when the crisis came our Christians had a Hope and a Faith that wrought a miraculous healing and brought new strength to the weakened bodies. Three of our Preachers and two Bible-women were taken as well as two school boys and one girl. Following the Influenza, small-pox visited our villages, and the toll of that dark robed messenger of death was very heavy, some villages losing as many as 200 young children. Cholera followed close in Devi's trail, and Whooping cough trudged not far behind. Now as the year closes Plague has vacated most of our villages on the Hominabad Circuit, and is entering the Manully borders, while the rats are falling in the Mission Compound itself in Bidar. Samson and Alice with their workers are living in plague sheds, yet are lifting up their voices in praise for the Ways of Pleasantness in Christian Service. Besides the visitations of Pestilence, Old Man Famine astride his bony steed has cantered through our Highways and Byways, and in every village the skin covered walking skeletons of hungry men and women and starving babes bear testimony of many meals uneaten. And folks, it is hard for these souls just in the gray dawn after centuries of nights of Heathen darkness to say, "God is love." But Praise God, our Indian Christians have stood the test. Just now the crops have been gathered, and there is food and prospect for a bumper crop in February and March. But the rains came scattered over so long a period and were so deficient that the tanks and wells did not fill, and now when we should have sixty feet of water in the walls there is less than six feet. Already they are carrying water from our wells for over a mile. Twenty-four Famine Orphans are now in the Boarding School.

Though the year has been a hard one and prices beyond the reach of all but the rich, the Bidar Circuits have raised Rs. 2,021-10-0 on self-support. Every worker tithes and is glad to do his or her little part.

Our Colporteurs have gone from village to village selling Bibles and Scripture portions, and have carried the name of Jesus Christ and His Message far into the Jungle places where the Missionary has never been. Six thousand seven hundred and ninety-six of these silent

Preachers have been scattered far and wide this year besides 71,261 tracts have been given freely. We believe that "His Word will not return to Him void", and that a portion of His Word in the hands of men who can read will cause many to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ.

EDUCATIONAL WORK.—In the Boys' Boarding School there are eighty-four boys. Seventy-six of these are Christians. It has been a good year in the school in spite of all the sickness. We have had to take in a number of very small boys because of the Famine and Influenza orphans. Six boys completed the Middle School work in May, and five of them are in the Belgaum High School. All are on Bidar scholarships. Two others are in the Kolar Industrial Institute learning Carpentry, and two are in the Bidar Government Arts School learning the Bidar Ware work. Some day we hope to have an Industrial school of our own. Mrs. Camp has charge of the boys, and teaches the classes in English. We are expecting to open Telugu and Marathi classes as soon as we can get teachers.

The Girls' School has seventy-four Boarders, and has had a successful year. Miss King has worked hard and faithfully and the state of the school shows the results of her labours. There is one class of girls in the Middle School. All of the larger pupils are well trained in crochet work, and this department brings in a lot of cash. During the Campaign the School girls greatly helped us in the villages.

In our twenty village schools taught at night after the boys have worked all day watching the herds, we have 177 pupils. Seldom do these children get beyond the alphabet stage, for when the body is tired so is the brain.

In our Village Workers' Training School we have had thirty-five students. Part of those have already gone out to work and now six others are ready for appointment. In these men and women is the hope of the workers whom we need. It may be that in some parts of India these unlearned village folks would not be able to forward the Kingdom, but in Bidar they are a success. God can fill any man with His Holy Spirit, and these simple village folks in their simple way telling of Christ and His love, bring other simple village folks to know the Master. Our new Mass Movement Buildings have made it possible to house these Training School students comfortably, though just now all are out in plague sheds.

MEDICAL WORK.—I haven't the heart to write much about this great neglected important part of the Missionary work in Bidar. Sick and dying and full of sores they come to us, but we must send hundreds away unhealed and in despair. Every mail we are hoping that word will come of a Doctor coming, but to date no such word has come. With the help of Cornelius, our Indian Compounder, Mrs. Camp and I have done what we could. We have innoculated for plague throughout the villages, and the people are glad that we will come. All castes and creeds stand in line and the same needle pricks

Muhammadan, Hindū and Christian, one after the other. Fifteen thousand nine hundred and eighty-six treatments were given this year. Sixty-one in-patients were cared for and this does not include the numbers that were cared for on the mission compound during Influenza. Two hundred and eighteen rupees were received from the people. This isn't much, but when they couldn't buy bread how can they pay for medicine? But we must have a doctor and have one soon if we are to hold the work that we have already taken up. We are very grateful to Dr. Linn for his help in buying medicines for us and caring for the patients we have sent him.

EVANGELISTIC WORK.—“Go ye into all the world and Disciple the Nations”, was the Command of our Captain, and although far removed into the Jungle, Bidar is still within this command. The losses through sickness of many of our preachers and Bible-women, and our Village Christian leaders greatly disorganized our work during the early part of the year. The extended vacation of the Missionaries did not tend to the encouragement of the work. After Finance Committee in July Mrs. Camp and I were both laid low with Influenza, the second time this year for myself. In August, Miss Morrow went on furlough, after waiting seven months for some one to come and fill her place. The Boarding School work and the Training School and Dispensary work have grown until they are two men's work alone. But for all these drawbacks the work has prospered. The Gospel has been preached, the people have been instructed, and 364 were baptized. Only one village was entered this year though five or six are ready to receive baptism. Forty-two preachers and pastor Teachers and fifty-four Bible-women and Teachers have broken and scattered the Bread of Life to the 5,111 Bidar Christians in the 174 Christian Villages. In several villages the Basket Weavers are asking for baptism, but we are holding them off. Two Children of this caste are already in the Boarding Schools. Our ninety-one Sunday schools with their 1,429 scholars are tending to the instruction of the youth in the paths of Godliness.

NEEDS.—How can we win them without we send a preacher. Our greatest need is Preachers. Workers to send, workers to teach, workers to live a Christian life before the people. We need buildings for the Boys' School, so that they will have a place to live and a place to sleep. We need a doctor who can heal the lame and the halt and the blind. We need an Educational Missionary who can take charge of the Boarding and Training schools.

“The Summer is over, the harvest is ended”, and some sheaves have been brought into the Master's store-house. With the help of our co-Partners we have done what we could. We are grateful for the earnestness and devotion that Miss King has given to her work. Through the sunshine of pleasant duties as well as through the shadows of pestilence she has proven herself a true scion of the house of that Family Royal. Unwilling that the women should go without

a Shepherdess, Miss Morrow toured the circuits when physically unfit to carry such burdens. But not unlike one other she looked not upon her own sufferings. I want to thank all my preachers and Bible-women for their loyalty and untiring devotion to the advancement of the Kingdom. And I want to thank my Helpmate for the uncomplaining manner in which she has shouldered the many burdens which she has had to bear, and thus help me to carry on the work. And above all else I thank God that He has counted me worthy to proclaim His Gospel.

C. L. CAMP.

ENGLISH DISTRICT

K. E. ANDERSON, *Superintendent, P.O. Bangalore.*

MY predecessor, the late C. W. Ross de Souza, had been Superintendent of this district since its formation. He was peculiarly fitted for this position, not only by his abilities, but in that he had served as pastor of every charge on the district except one.

Generous words of praise are spoken of him all over the district. As a Christian gentleman, kind friend and an earnest and eloquent preacher, he commended himself and so recommended the Gospel unto many. He has entered into his rest and we have tried to take up his labours.

I have made three visits to Belgaum, Hyderabad and Secunderabad, and held four conferences at Madras and Bangalore.

All the charges have increased the amount paid to pastoral support. Some of you may be as surprised as I was to learn that of the apportionment for all Annual Conference claims and benevolences to the nine districts, more than half the total amount is asked from the English District.

There is no increase in the total membership. The abnormal time of war brought a large temporary membership into our military stations which is now greatly reduced or removed altogether.

Hyderabad is surely and not slowly losing its membership by removals or death. The policy of His Highness the Nizam to give the subjects of the State preference in Government service will lessen the constituency from which the audiences of our English churches have in the main been recruited. In all our churches, but for the above reason, especially here in the Deccan, a cordial attitude and hospitable welcome should be accorded the educated and spiritually-minded Indian Christian. Unless this is justified and practised, the beautiful church where we now meet will soon lack an audience and had better be taken over by our vernacular churches.

The adult membership in Secunderabad is small, but there is a growing Sunday School which, in a large British Cantonment, promises well for the future. Considering the time we have been at work there, it seems more than strange that property for a parsonage has not been acquired. I will now read the reports of the Pastors and Principals much as they were sent me.

A. S. Booth has had charge of Hyderabad and Secunderabad churches with residence in Hyderabad.

SECUNDERABAD.—This church is holding its own. Though the actual membership is not large, yet visitors, both civilian and military, often attend our Sunday evening services.

I conduct the worship every alternate Sunday evening and on the other Sundays have the help of Revs. Sackett, Levering and Capt. Bloomfield, to whom my thanks are due. Rev. Sackett kindly administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper on several occasions in the absence of our own missionary.

Weekly United Prayer meetings, which were begun in July last, have proven a success. These are conducted alternately by the Rev. Mr. Levering of the Baptist Mission and myself and are very well attended. Great interest is taken in these week-night services. It is the general opinion that the presence of a full-time Pastor would increase the membership, finances would improve, and there would not only be a congregation but a real living church. The Sunday School is supervised by Austin Chamarette, and it is only on rare occasions that I am able to be present. Miss Hall of the Baptist Church gives her Sunday mornings to the work here and our thanks are due to her for her help in training the young people in the musical part of the exercises.

Children's Day was observed on the 26th October and was a good success. During the year one was admitted into preparatory and one into full membership in the church.

I am happy to say that friendship prevails among us. Though there is a tendency to worldliness yet most are really serious and steadily purposing to run the race the Lord has set before them.

IN HYDERABAD—I have made visits generally and attended the Sunday School taking the class of older children when no other teacher was available.

I have conducted the public worship every Sunday morning and every alternate Sunday evening and the prayer meetings on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. All our regular services have held their own in attendance during the year.

We are thankful for the Children's Day, the 19th of October, both morning and evening. Rupees 330 was contributed. Our Treasurer Dr. Gay who was in indifferent health during the early part of the year had to be relieved temporarily. He proceeded to Bangalore for a change, and we are glad to say he is among us again and has resumed his office though still weak.

The United week of prayer opened with prayer for the spirit of entire consecration to the Kingdom of God. If all who bear the name of Christian could be induced to pray for this spirit and consecrate themselves to the service of Christ to be witnesses for Him and do whatsoever He saith to us, greater good would result. What we need is not merely public preaching but personal effort by all. The word is

spoken and we leave the results to God. Though the visible results have been small some have been led to serious thought on the religious life.

My thanks are due to Rev. Sackett, Capt. Bloomfield, Sec. Beal of the Y.M.C.A. and Brother Venkatachellam for assisting in the services and to our Telugu Missionary Rev. J. D. Harris for presiding at the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

There have been three baptisms, one marriage, three deaths during the past year in our church at Hyderabad.

OF MADRAS—G. S. Rogè reports :—It was no easy matter to succeed one of such commanding preaching and administrative ability as the late Rev. C. W. Ross de Souza. Yet it is not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord. I am deeply thankful to be able to say that some measure of success has been given.

The most encouraging feature of the year has been the increased attendance at the Sunday morning and week-day services—a sure indication of an improved tone in the spiritual condition.

I am very sorry to say that circumstances compelled our closing our connexion with W. A. Ritchie, who was in charge of the work at Royapuram. But the Services and Sunday School at that centre are maintained as heretofore, and I am endeavouring to visit the homes there more frequently.

The Epworth Leagues, Sunday Schools, Ladies' Aid and the other departments of our work, are maintained efficiently by a corps of faithful workers for whose loyal support I cannot be too thankful. It would be impossible to work Vepery, Otary and Royapuram satisfactorily, but for the splendid band of Lay-workers we are blessed with in Madras.

This Circuit is at present entirely self-supporting and, considering the congregations are neither large nor wealthy, the liberality of the people is to be commended. Almost the entire debt on the pipe organ has been paid off, and we have also been able to contribute to other causes besides meeting our full apportionments to Annual Conference.

The Home-call of Brother Ross de Souza has been a great loss to our Church and our Official Board has decided to perpetuate his memory by a mural tablet in the Church at Vepery.

We have been obliged to discontinue our work at Pudupet as the Government requisitioned our property there for Rs. 1,989-8-0. The money has been invested by Government in War Bonds, at 5 per cent. interest and will be handed us as soon as we are prepared to invest it in other real estate. Many members of the old Pudupet congregation attend the Sunday morning services at Vepery regularly.

Hitherto hath the Lord blessed us, and we are looking for still greater things from Him in the future.

BELGAUM.—J. Parker, our faithful and veteran preacher, writes: 'In the year 1917 this station became a convalescent depot for sick and wounded soldiers, also a depot for training fresh troops from England for service in Mesopotamia and elsewhere. The number soon increased greatly, including a large number of officers, who had to be accommodated in bungalows situated in the cantonment hitherto occupied by civilians who were required to vacate at short notice. This necessitated some of them leaving the station for want of accommodation and thus deprived the church of members and eventually led to the closing of the Sunday School.

Only six full members are left in the station this year. There would be very little work for the Pastor had he not also the Chaplainship of all the non-Conformist soldiers in the station. This keeps him engaged in holding Parade services regularly and visiting the military hospital and barracks frequently, I have met with much encouragement, the men being most appreciative and responsive. The military contribute to our congregation, and almost the entire financial support is by capitation and seating compensation from Government for ministering to British troops.

Now that the troops are being demobilized the attendance at our services is decreasing and must continue to do so until the expected permanent regiment arrives.

On account of failing health and eyes it is necessary for me to retire at the end of this calendar year. The doctor advises me to give up all desk work and not to expose myself to the sun.

As his superintendent, I may add that Brother Parker served for many years as railway evangelist and pastor for the British in India Mission. As pastor and chaplain at Belgaum the last four years he has commended himself and his Master to civilians and military. May years of blessed service still be his, in His service Who never fully retires His servants here until He summons them to service in Heaven.

BALDWIN HIGH SCHOOLS, BANGALORE.—Of the Baldwin Girls' High School, Miss Robinson, the Principal, reports:—The year 1919 has not been remarkable for any startling features, but it has been a year of steady work and real endeavour. Advance has been made in the scholastic line. The Staff has been complete, and has co-operated willingly throughout the year. The Government Inspector of Schools, who pays us a yearly official visit, reported most favourably on things as he saw them. The number on the rolls has also increased. The number of boarders this year reached fifty-four more than at any time previously.

The financial situation of the school has been a cause for anxiety for some years. One of the bright aspects of this matter is that more local support is beginning to come in for the school. Mr. E. W. Fritchley a staunch Methodist, whose generous giving is

known elsewhere, recently turned some of his gifts into our school as a channel of blessing. Within the last year and a half he has given over Rs. 5,000 to this school. This money has been an unspeakable blessing, and our hearts are indeed grateful to God for men like Mr. Fritchley. Others, no less generous, but perhaps not so well equipped to give, have begun to send in smaller donations. This is very encouraging. A terrible siege of sickness which we had last year was a great financial drawback, but we are recovering from that and trust and pray that our financial position will soon be quite firm.

The religious life of the children has had a sweet and natural tone which has been most pleasing and gratifying to observe. Somewhat solemnized by the death of two of the girls who were victims of the terrible influenza, many who have suffered between life and death themselves, seem to feel themselves spared for a purpose, and they have truly striven to be new children in every sense. The failures are forgotten and forgiven in the joy of watching even a few follow more closely their Lord and Master. The prayers of those who are interested in the children are earnestly requested for these, some of whom come from undesirable and morally unhealthy homes.

The school has lost a true friend in Rev. C. W. Ross de Souza, who always had the cause of children at heart, and who laboured faithfully for them. His loss is keenly felt by many.

In this short space it is difficult to make those far away feel the great "worth-whileness" of our efforts. English work is apt to seem prosaic, and to have few results. But we feel that there is a day coming for the Anglo-Indian children who are passing through our schools, and against that day it is our part to fit them. We have faith enough to know that it is not a losing fight, and that God will bless every effort made in His name to help these needy children.

BALDWIN BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL.—E. J. Guest, M.A., is principal, and writes as follows :—

In presenting the report of another year's work we do so with a heart full of praise to God for His continued mercies and blessings to His servants. Many have been the difficulties that have confronted us and grave have been the responsibilities that the work has brought, but we say it with a heart full of gratitude "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us".

The school throughout the year has been able to engage a full Staff. Each standard has had a teacher and in addition subject teaching has been taught in the senior classes where it has been necessary. Every teacher in the school has been certificated or experienced and in the senior classes graduates and under graduates have had charge of the work. The work done has been most satisfactory and the recent improvements that have been carried out relative to the class rooms have greatly aided in the good results obtained. The satisfactory nature of the work carried in all classes and the improvements

made in all departments have been testified to by the Government Inspector of Schools who satisfied himself that all that was being done in the school was decidedly in the interests of the institution.

Towards the middle of the year an addition was made to the staff by the employment of a Physical Director. His duties have been to look after the boys' physical welfare by holding classes of instruction during school hours and supervision and instruction on the playground after school hours. This part of the school programme has proved a great success and the boys themselves have come to feel that their education does not consist only in what is imparted to them in the class room.

The Boarding department of the school is under the supervision of matrons, and part of these duties has involved the personal care of the boys especially those of tender years. This junior department is growing and we trust that it will continue to grow. The most recent improvement connected with the boarding department has been the instalment of the flushing system in the Oldham dormitory. This was felt to be very necessary and has only quite recently been completed.

The health of the boys throughout the year has been satisfactory. We have been protected from any serious epidemics. The result of another year's work has brought increased responsibility. It is felt that the school can fill a large part in the life of these boys whom it is our privilege to care for and who one day will thank God for a school that helped to mould their young lives and to influence them in choosing that path in life which leads to true success.

OF BANGALORE ENGLISH CIRCUIT of which the Superintendent has had pastoral charge we can report steady growth, though the numbers on our Church roll are about the same as a year ago. Twenty-one have joined us, but about the same number have left by removal and death. Most of the removals are soldier members who, after a few years in Bangalore, have returned to England. We are grateful that so many men have attended and that some have testified to definite experiences received in our services. The present membership is one hundred and ten. Twenty are non-resident and about one-fourth are children of school age.

It seemed necessary at one time to discontinue the Graded Sunday School Lessons for lack of teachers, but special effort was made, new teachers secured, and these lessons are now, I believe, permanent in our Sunday School in Richmond Town. We owe much to Mrs. Beal and her large staff of teachers. The attendance, except during the Christmas holidays, when many go to their distant homes, is from 175 to 200. There are over 100 on the rolls of the two Sunday Schools for Anglo-Indians in Shulay and Blackpully.

Children's Day was observed October 12th. A good programme was given and the audience joined the Sunday School in bringing the

total offering to over Rs. 1,400. Our audiences Sunday evening are smaller since our soldiers left, but the morning audience is increasing. The average is about 200 in the morning and 300 in the evening, except on special occasions. Class meeting on Monday varies from six to twenty. J. H. Stephens and T. Bishop are our faithful veteran class leaders. Prayer-meeting too, is back to pre-war attendance of twenty-five to forty and is always spiritually helpful and stimulating to pastor and people.

There are seventy children at our Junior League and fifty young people at our Senior League each Friday. Most of these are scholars in our Baldwin Schools and attend regularly.

Seven permanent teachers are employed in teaching 155 scholars on the rolls of the two schools for Indian children, supported by our church. The Municipality still gives us rent-free the two-storey police station building for the larger of these schools, and we own the fine property used for the other. Some of our members visit regularly the poor Anglo-Indian homes in Shulay and Blackpully and also the hospitals of the city and cantonment.

The various Ladies' Societies are busy in good works. The Ladies' Aid, with Mrs. Bunyan as President, has for its financial objective, a new church organ. All three in regular use in our Sunday School rooms are worse for age and wear. The Dorcas Society, under Mrs. Bishop, made and sent thirty-six white dresses in a Christmas box to an Orphanage in Jerusalem. Most of the W.C.T.U. members are connected with our church, and a large I.O.G.T. Lodge meets Thursdays in the Church Library. A Men's Club has been organized to engage in social and religious service for and by men and promises well for helpfulness and good comradeship.

The public services of the five days the Finance Committee of our Conference met in Bangalore were devoted to the Centenary. The English District as an integral part of the work of our church in India will seek to give and serve as well as receive in this great movement of our beloved church.

K. E. ANDERSON,

Bangalore.

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GULBARGA DISTRICT

J. B. BUTTRICK, *Superintendent.*

THIS is the first report of work on the Gulbarga District as such. Its boundaries are not quite the same as those of the Civil District of the same name, as a portion of its eastern section, being Telugu in language, forms part of our Vikarabad District. It is a District, however, whose natural head is the city of Gulbarga where are centred all the Departments of Government. Gulbarga, being the head not only of a District but also of a Division of these Dominions, is a strategic point for such work as that in which we are engaged, and which is wholly for the benefit of the people. God has given us open doors, and has set us in a large place, thus laying upon us the responsibility of making known widely the saving grace of God as revealed in His Son, Jesus Christ. I gratefully record the gracious presence of our Lord and Master throughout the year, and I acknowledge His power in anything that has been accomplished, rendering Him the glory.

WORKERS :—There has been one Missionary, with by no means full time for District work. My work on the District has been mainly supervision and direction, but has not been as much leadership as it would have been had I been wholly free for District work. And our Indian fellow-workers appreciate missionary leadership. There are four Indian Preachers-in-charge on the District, and they are literally "in charge" on their several Circuits. They and their Indian co-workers are doing what work is being done on the District. It is no reflection on them to say that it were easier to write of what is not being done to meet the spiritual needs of the more than million souls on this District, than it is to write of what is being done and accomplished. It may be acknowledged that we are only partially realizing all that should be attained in what we do. But there are 4,085 baptized Christians in the District, living in 159 villages. For the pastoral oversight of these, and for the evangelization of the multitudes living in these 159 villages, and in more than a thousand other villages, there are 66 Indian workers all told, including Ordained Ministers, Local Preachers, Exhorters, Teachers, Colporteurs, Bible-women and Helpers. This is the same number as reported last year. The number of workers will need to be multiplied before all our Christians are being disciplined. And they will need to be multiplied yet again before all the villages on the District, where live God's souls and for whose evangelization we are responsible, are reached and visited as they yet must be. I see no way of largely increasing our working force until our Christian people in the villages become members of the living Church of Christ. Baptisms during the year numbered 303, about two score more than were baptized on the

seven Circuits of the District last year. But these are not all that might have been baptized. To have baptized all everywhere who were willing to be so recognized as Christians would have meant our making disciples of many for whose discipline and instruction we were utterly unable to make any provision. Early in the year the workers of the National Missionary Society of India, all Indians I presume, met together in Conference. As reported in their monthly "Intelligencer" one subject of discussion was as to whether the aim in their work should be mainly to increase the Christian community or to build up the Christian Church. It struck me in reading it that, in areas where the Mass Movement is at all moving, we are in peril of forgetting the distinction between "Community" and "Church." Baptisms will increase the community but do not necessarily enlarge the building of the Church, as we all know. "I will build my Church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it," was the assurance given to His disciples by the great Head of the Church. So I cannot but urge my Indian co-labourers to keep leagued with Jesus in His building of His Church out of the Christian community and out of the world itself. Further, I am about convinced that the paucity of labourers in such Church-building will not be relieved until the number of those who really know God in His Son Jesus provides a constituency from which God can call men and women to this holy work.

This question of the spiritual state of our people bears close relation to our VILLAGE WORKERS' TRAINING SCHOOL in Gulbarga. There has been an average of six young men as students during the year, but the number should have been twice six. Two of them, at our recent District Conference, were appointed as Pastor-teachers in villages where we have Christians. This Institution has not yet become the Village Workers' Training School for the entire District. Some, I am told, hold back from becoming students by the fear that they will not get sufficient rupees monthly to meet their support. Such fears would not exist if they were seeking first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and if God were calling them.

MEMBERSHIP IN THE CHURCH has increased from 217 to 327, about 50 per cent. But this year's number, encouraging as the increase is, is only about 13 per cent. of the total Christian community, so that there is ample pastoral work for consecrated workers. Indeed every baptism, and its addition of another soul to the Christian community, increases what is distinctively pastoral work. We do not have the "Chaudhries" in this region, but I am trusting that we may find his substitute. I am very desirous of seeing the *idea* and *purpose* of the original Methodist Class-meeting worked out in the villages, some spiritually-minded Christian being made spiritual leader of ten or a dozen fellow-Christians. I trust that during the Centenary Campaign a considerable number of such leaders will be discovered.

LINGAYET WORK is both promising and fruitful. Brother Nanappa Desai has somewhat of a roving commission in this work. He is in effect our District Evangelist, giving special attention to the widely scattered and intelligent Lingayet community. But his itinerary is not confined to this District, calls having reached him from other Districts of this Conference. He finds open doors wherever he goes, and those who know him are sure that he is always and everywhere a loyal witness to his Lord and Master, Jesus Christ. An assistant has been given him this year in the person of a young man baptized last year, and who is one of his own spiritual children. Some of our staunchest Christians on the District are those baptized from this community. There are many sincere enquirers in various directions, and Brother Nanappa could do with several assistants in his special field.

SCHOOLS:—Sunday Schools have increased by 2, and pupils by 71, the present enrolment being 720. There is yet ample room for development in this very essential phase of our work, and we are awake to that fact.

DAY AND NIGHT SCHOOLS are the same in number as last year, but there is reported a decline of ten in the total of scholars. Three Circuits on the District report increased enrolment, but four other Circuits report a decrease. Schools require teachers, and deaths, resignations and transfer of workers during the year have told upon School Work as vitally as on other work on certain Circuits. For instance, on Chitapur Circuit there is a loss of four workers, and in consequence there is a decline in both number and attendance in Sunday and Day Schools alike. We have a youthful community of 1,495, 12 years of age and under, on the District, so an increase of capable teachers is an imperative and constant need.

THE KANARESE BOYS' BOARDING SCHOOL AND ORPHANAGE in Gulbarga has twenty boys on its roll. Of these only four are orphans. Seven others have only one parent living. The other nine come from very poor families. There are also five more boys at other Schools of higher grade, one being at Belgaum, and four at Kolar. Five boys have died during the year. Not only influenza, but small-pox and cholera visited us and laid toll upon our boys. I have been rather surprised that orphan applicants for admission appear to be so scarce, and I do not quite know whether to be thankful that times are not so very, very distressing throughout the Gulbarga District, or to wonder what other provision is being made for them, I have been told that in some cases relatives have taken orphaned young people. It cannot help matters in the majority of homes in these days of costly living when more mouths are brought in to be fed, unless there is to be some compensation. And in all probability some orphans are taken because they can add to the labour of the family and to its earning capacity. That means the denial to the fatherless and motherless of schooling, if not of affection and care. But in the

midst of dense illiteracy it is difficult for adults to realize the value of literacy to the young of their households. This is seen also in the general indifference to day schools, whether established by a Mission, like ourselves, or by the Authorities that be.

COLPORTEURAGE has been zealously pushed, and 1,780 Scriptures and Portions have been sold, compared with 851 last year. This is cause of gratitude to God in view of the very low percentage of people who are able to read. Increase in Scripture sales will always be more rapid than the increase in literacy. At the same time the vast illiteracy of the people will always limit sales of reading matter.

THE AMOUNT RAISED BY INDIANS this year is slightly in excess of the amount raised last year. But about half of the total amount reported in the Statistics consists of the tithes of the workers, who are all tithers. That reveals a not altogether encouraging aspect of the financial side of our work, so far as its being supported on the field is concerned. The large Christian community combined should surely be rendering to God far more than the amount which about three score workers are giving. Most of our people see and handle very little coin of the realm, however, and during recent years they have handled less grain than they would have had in hand in normal years, or in years of bounteous harvest and cheap food-grains. The Stewardship part of our Centenary Campaign will furnish opportunities for intensive instruction on God's ownership and on human acknowledgment of it, which I trust that every worker on the District will take advantage of.

We closed the year's work with the *first session* of the Gulbarga DISTRICT CONFERENCE, which met early in November. God sealed our assembling together by revealing His presence in power in every gathering from first to last. Centenary Campaign literature in Kanarese and in Telugu came to hand just in time to be of definite use, and the Campaign was launched in the minds and hearts and lives of those of us who were privileged to be in attendance at District Conference. A District Centenary Council was formed, and Chairmen were appointed to nine Departments.

There is considerable work of the WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY on the District, but it is still under the supervision of a Missionary of the Board of Foreign Missions. I am very thankful that Mrs. Buttrick was able to return to beloved India about the middle of the year, and during the few months since her return she has endeavoured to get into touch with as many of the Bible-women as possible. She has made two short tours into the District, and also met many of her Bible-women at the District Conference, a Woman's Conference being also held. But we both see that, with the Bible-women scattered as they are over wide distances, they need the inspiring leadership of a consecrated Missionary who can be much with them, and we sincerely trust that this Jubilee year of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society will bring the long-looked for

lady Missionary or Missionaries. We need two, one for Evangelistic work, and one for School work. The Boarding School for Girls should be re-opened in Gulbarga, as that for the Boys has been. If ever the need for such an Institution existed the need is emphasised in these days with a larger Christian community, and with girl orphans more numerous than they were even as late as two years ago.

We must leave the results of the year's toils with God. It is ever true, as in the early days of the Church, when "Paul planted" and when "Apollos watered," and "God gave the increase," that we who are human co-labourers with God in these days can do no more than sow, plant and water. But I believe that it is just as true, now as then, that where we, His co-labourers are faithful in our part of this spiritual work God just as faithfully gives the increase. I covet a constant union with the living Christ for myself and for my fellow-labourers, so that we may "bear fruit," and that our "fruit may remain."

J. B. BUTTRICK.

HYDERABAD DISTRICT

J. D. HARRIS, *Superintendent*

HYDERABAD DISTRICT has the distinction of being geographically divided into two almost equal parts. One part is located in the Palawancha and Yellandu taluks, 162 miles east of Hyderabad. The Mission property there includes school, bungalow, a garden and a hospital building. These are located in the mining centre known as Singarenni Collieries. Formerly this work was done by a Missionary on the spot. But this year Brother and Sister Garden having gone home on furlough the work has fallen to my lot. Near and around Yellandu we have about 100 villages scattered far and wide in the jungle and Christians are in only about 50 villages. Hyderabad section of the district consists of more than 100 villages just south and west of the city of Hyderabad and about half of the Hyderabad city itself. The Parent Board Property and W.F.M.S. Property are in or near the Residency in Chadderghat. We have Christians scattered all over the City and Christians in sixty-two of the surrounding villages with possibilities for schools, Sunday schools and institutional work beyond mention. In the City of Hyderabad itself the work has been established since 1873, but because of lack of Missionaries and Indian workers we cannot boast much of any great work done here.

If a Missionary were inclined to sit down and cry or lament over his failures or were pessimistic and wished to paint a black, ugly, dismal picture of the work, he would have abundant material; but God didn't send Missionaries here to be pessimists or to cry over their troubles. He says to them what He said to Moses and to Joshua, "GO FORWARD."

We have much reason to praise Him this year for all His goodness and for all His kindness. We praise Him even for the hard places and the difficult task. Each one of the difficulties and the problems has driven us closer to Him; even the mistakes have been stepping stones to better things. They have kept us humble and have driven us to our knees many times. If all had been sunshine and success we might have become proud and egotistic and forgotten the Giver of every good and perfect gift. Are we not told that all things work together for good to those who love the Lord? Did not Christ also suffer many trials?

At the very beginning of the year we asked God to give us one sign of approval that He had sent us to this new field of labour. The one thing that we asked for was that we might be delivered from the financial worry that accompanies the District work. We said,

" Lord, we pay our tithe and give as much as we can in addition and you have said, " Prove me and see if I will not open the windows of heaven and pour you out such a blessing that you cannot contain it." The finances have come in steadily and quite sufficient for the work and at no time have we had to worry over the pay day. So we have abundant reasons to honour Him and sing as the Psalmist, " Bless the Lord O my soul and all that is within me Bless His Holy name and forget not all His benefits ".

Each one of the Missionaries in the district, except Mrs. Harris, has had his turn at fever or " flu ". But none of them have been seriously ill.

This year has been one of famine and questionaires. Just what relationship these two things have I am unable to say, unless the poor villager becomes lean, suffers and dies from want of food and the poor Missionary becomes lean and haggard from pouring over his mid-night oil and racking his brain with stupendous questions which no one can answer. One of our Professors used to say, " Oh, never worry about answering examination questions. Any fool can ask more questions than a wise man can answer." Just whether the questionaires can be assigned to this category or not I am unable to say ; but it has been a year full of them ; but, " Who should worry " ?

As a student when reading the lives of Wesley, Asbury and other early pioneers I used to marvel at the wonderful distances travelled and the tremendous amount of work that they had and of the varied types of work which they did. But in the first year as a District Superintendent I feel with most District Superintendents that we could write a much larger record of miles travelled and the various tasks performed than Wesley or Asbury. By rail I have travelled nearly 5,000 miles this year. By motor, ox-cart, horse-back and shanks horses I have done another 5,000 miles. Like Wesley and Asbury we have to keep accounts, only very much larger in size than they did. We have to buy cloth, medicines, rice, chillies, grains, blankets, etc., just like merchants. In the villages we have administered medicines and performed operations just like Doctors. In the Office and in the Conference we have sat and tried cases and administered justice just like Lawyers. We have crawled under motor cars, dug them out of mud holes, troubled over not being able to find the mistakes in the mechanism just like chauffeurs ; but we did not swear like them. We have slept on the soft side of a board, on mother nature's bed, on fine cushions, in cow stables and on a good bed just like all true Indians. We have been away from home almost half of the time ; lived out of a tiffin basket and are alive to-day. We have sat in the school-room, under the trees, in primitive huts and taught by the wayside just like the early disciples. We have preached the Gospel ; have had converts ; have given baptisms ; have helped to bury the dead just like Wesley and Asbury in their Missionary days.

Yes, this is all common place and more than familiar to most of you as Missionaries and members of the South India Conference; but not familiar to friends and patrons in U.S.A. and those who are just as interested in what a Missionary does as the members of the South India Conference; so we have taken time to elaborate on them just a little.

The evangelistic work has suffered as usual from the lack of workers and especially because of the famine. The usual rains didn't come last year, and hence there was little food and still less clothes for the poor villager. The evangelistic campaign was conducted in the months of February and March, and our Indian brethren worked faithfully and well. I myself was unable to do much because I was on my back most of this time with chills and fever. Brothers A. S. Abraham, J. Venkatachellam, M. Luke and E. Surrey did most of the baptising. Narsingpet had the largest number of baptisms this year, 1,205. The Hindustani circuit has had a good year under Brother Surrey. He had ten baptisms. This is a good record for the Hindustani circuit because they have a very difficult task. The evangelistic work in the zenana has been done faithfully by Miss Wood and her band of assistants. Good news comes from this work in that about fifty women are reading and studying the Bible and quite a few men and women are secret believers in Jesus Christ. The Telugu side of the circuit has had a good year under the direction of Brother A. S. Abraham. But he has had a tremendous handicap, in not having capable and efficient workers to assist him.

M. Luke has done good work in the Yellandu evangelistic field this year. Eighty baptisms were administered in this section with nearly 300 on the waiting list. Here as well as elsewhere the work has suffered on account of famine. Even a crow must carry his canteen of water over this waterless field in the dry season or perish with thirst. We enjoy one pleasure in this field; in that there is little caste distinction. Lombardies, Malas, Madigas, Kois and caste people have been baptized.

Everywhere we go on the district they cry out, send us a teacher. In February we baptized 153 Voddars or thief caste people. We have only in the last few days been able to find them a teacher. Last week a deputation from another place waited on me and said that the man I had sent had too many duties to perform and too many places to visit; that they wanted a Pastor teacher all their own and that they would pay half of his salary. The reply to them was that "I had 100 other places crying out just like they." Yes, we want teachers. What shall we do with the hungry who cry for food? It is eventide and how will they buy food without any money? Only Christ can supply their needs, will you not take your Bible and read and pray over Luke 10: 2?

In connection with our evangelistic work in Hyderabad and Yellandu we held in each place one week's special evangelistic

meetings under the direction and leadership of Rev. Tamil David. He gave us real Gospel messages and preached with power and conviction so that a number of men and women and boys and girls confessed to a real deepening of the Christian life. We hope to have him or some one else next year to do a similar work. If we want to lead the blind we must have our eyes wide open and know spiritual things ourselves.

SCHOOLS:— In Hyderabad, the Stanley Girls' High School has about 300 boys and girls. This school is the only Protestant Girls' High School in the Hyderabad State. Miss Evans, with her faithful staff of Indian and Anglo-Indian teachers, believes in co-education and manual labour, and the belief is practically demonstrated every day. The girls cook the food, make, mend and wash the clothes. The boys water the plants, keep their buildings neat and tidy, and have vegetable gardens. The little brethren, seventy in number and ever increasing, have not yet been able to secure a real home. They live in a rented house. But we hope by God's help to have a real home for them before another year closes. Will you not join and pray with us that this may come to pass?

Miss Wood and Miss Morgan have a large number of day schools here in Hyderabad. These schools are well attended and although few Christians attend, God's word and Christian lyrics are taught faithfully and are learnt by the pupils, and we have God's promise that His word shall not return unto Him void.

Our village day and night schools are not a 100 per cent. efficient and are not like day and night schools in many other sections of India. We have some schools that are doing very good work. In one, in Kogigoodam, where the teacher is only a village man and works in his fields a part of the day and teaches men and boys at night; we have six village men who can read and write, and read the Bible, and about twenty more are learning. All these are able to pray, give testimony, tell Bible stories and sing Christian lyrics. I wish that we had many more such schools.

In the Yellandu side we have two or three schools like this and good work is being done. The boys and girls come regularly and learn to read the Bible, sing and pray besides the school studies.

The Hyderabad Bible Institute was closed for a part of the year, because the numbers had dwindled down and we sent the remainder of the boys to work out in the villages, to demonstrate whether they could work or not. They were capable of doing God's work. We re-opened the school about mid-year, brought in a lot of our village men who had been tried out in the work and who needed larger training. They have taken a more advanced course and we have laid special emphasis on reading, writing, arithmetic in order that these men and women might be able to teach the village children better and more efficiently. Mrs. Harris has had charge of the women, and with her Indian teacher they have been taught not only to read

and write, to sing and pray, but they have been taught to sew, so that when they go back to their villages they will be able to help their sisters to do some sewing. These women have also heard lectures on sanitation and how to make their home an ideal home in the village. We believe these lessons in social service will work out to good advantage. Mrs. Harris along with a multitude of other duties has had charge of our embryonic boys' school. On account of famine a large number of boys over age were brought into our boarding schools. They could not be received into the kindergarten with little boys of five and six years of age. So we thought it would be good to put them in a separate class and see what could be done for them. Nine of such boys came to Hyderabad and the boys have responded nobly to the efforts that have been put forth. Nearly all of them have completed their Bala Bodha or the first book in one month. They are now doing the first Reader. In addition to their school work they carry water for their cooking, wash their clothes, help to do garden work and generally make themselves useful. These boys sleep on an open verandah and, so far, none have been ill, thus proving that fresh air is good for the Indian.

The Narsingpet Training School building was completed during the year and we have now sufficient quarters to house our village training school. While this school has not had a large attendance yet it had an attendance large enough to justify our placing a school there. God willing, we hope to have a special campaign for village students during the month of January. At this time of the year some of the present students will be sent out to work in order to give place for new students.

The Yellandu Primary School reported thirty-nine boarders, boys and girls, at the last Annual Conference. This year they are able to report sixty-nine boarders, boys and girls, and about twenty day scholars. We had more boarders than this but economic conditions in the mining field are such that as soon as a boy reaches about twelve years of age he gets such a large remuneration for his services that his parents take him away from the school to work in the mines. Thus our numbers have been decreased. We have six teachers, three of whom are trained and the school is being worked up to be recognized by Government. The Inspector of Schools has passed favourable reports on the school. The boys and girls do their own work. The girls cook the food, keep their quarters clean, and help to mend all the clothes. The boys keep their own quarters tidy and have a garden to raise vegetables. Here is a great opportunity. Here quarters need to be provided for hostels as the improvised godowns which the children are now occupying are insanitary, insufficient and too close to the river. If funds and building accommodation were at hand we could have a school of 250 boys and girls without much effort. Most of these children are from our Christian villages. This is a very encouraging feature. Mrs. R. Hayden is the capable and efficient Matron of the school and superintends the Mission Garden.

The training school has not increased in number this year; but the men and women have tried to learn and we have sent several of them out to work. Here also, just as soon as we can bring in more village men and women to take their places, will be able to send out partially trained men and women into the villages that are so needy and are crying out for help. Hyderabad district takes pride in the distinction of being foremost in conducting co-educational schools.

We have three station Epworth Leagues in the Hyderabad district. One in Stanley Girls' High School, one in Hyderabad Bible Institute and one in Yellandu. We have two station junior leagues. These Epworth Leagues have followed the regular course and suggestions of the Epworth League and are teaching our young men and young women how to become leaders. The Hyderabad Bible Institute League has branched out into some social service work. The thought of doing it came from themselves. Seven young men from our Institute and lay Christians have volunteered to organize and teach a night school themselves. This school is composed of young men who work all day but want a chance to better their conditions. This is in session every night, and men are learning to read and write and to sing lyrics. They are also learning Bible truths. We hope that this school may have a large growth and a long life.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS:—We had this year 81 Sunday Schools with an attendance of 1,640 pupils. This is less schools and less attendance than we had last year, but there has been a falling off of workers, especially in Hyderabad city itself, where we have the greatest shrinkage.

It has been my privilege to pass through the city of Secunderabad several times each month, and at the railway station the familiar sound of "Telugu Kithab, Urdu Kithab, Marathi Kithab" has always greeted my ears. We have a very faithful colporteur there who has sold hundreds of scripture portions this year. We have not sold as many scripture portions and Bibles and Testaments this year as in last year through colporteurs because we have had fewer. We have sold and distributed to other missionaries a large number of Bibles and Testaments and portions this year. Sometimes this work seems to be a bit useless; some men and boys who would oppose the spread of the Gospel do buy the Scripture portions and deliberately tear and throw them away; but we know that other people from all parts of the Dominions are interested in the Scriptures and are buying the portions and are reading them thoughtfully. Recently in an Indian school which takes the Cambridge course, a large number of non-Christian boys bought Bibles, Testaments and Scripture portions to study for a Government examination. This launching out in an intelligent study of the Bible is a very encouraging feature of our colporteurage work.

In addition to our colporteurs every worker, even the missionaries, sell Scripture portions, Bibles and Testaments. We feel that every Christian worker should have a part in this great and good work. This year we had a special day for selling the Scriptures which, we hope, will be continued next year.

We have had the *Nam ke vasti* editorship of our Telugu paper this year; but to Rev. J. Venkatachellam is due all the credit for the work done. My knowledge of Telugu is too meagre to do much in this line. We have quite a few readers of this paper but so far it needs a sounder financial basis. He has also done a great amount of translation work, but I suppose the M.E. Press will report that for him. A Telugu Hymn Book is under process of compilation.

SELF-SUPPORT:—The subject of Christian giving has been kept before our workers and Christians. The workers have all tithed and given their thank-offerings, but our poor Christians, alas, how could they give? In subtraction there is a rule that you cannot take something from nothing. This is a rule of life also. People had little to eat, still less to wear, and so could not give much. Many people left their homes and went in search of work and food to other more favoured places. Some sold their cattle; some mortgaged their field; others mortgaged their family as slaves in order to get food. The rich had food and money. Some of these rich were selfish and avaricious and used their money to exploit the poor. Many Christians brought their children to our Boarding schools where they have their food and clothes and are learning to read and write in order to become useful men and women. Yes, they have given; but our returns as compared to last year have dropped off almost one-third; but they have done what they could; and out of their penury have they given; and so we need not be ashamed of what these poor people have done. We have preached to our men on the subject of self-government and self-support. We have held before them the fact that these two go hand in hand. I believe that the Indian Church, especially our Indian brethren, are catching this idea and are going to carry it out. We still believe in the Indian Church that they will give and that they will do according to their ability.

GARDEN:—In Yellandu we have a Mission garden which produces vegetables and fruits. They have been sold in the bazaars. Some have been used in the school and practically all of the vegetables have been used in the Boarding schools. We don't know how to give an account of this in actual figures; although we could give if required to do so. Our garden so far has not been a grand success financially, but it has furnished a variety of food for our Boarding school children.

FINANCES:—One of the difficulties this year which we would like to record has been one of finances. Not that we didn't have enough money, but we lost so much on what we did receive. Previously we

received for 100 dollars, American money, 300 British Government rupees, and when that was exchanged into Osmania Sicca Rupees, the money of the Hyderabad State, we received Rs. 348. This year we have received for 100 dollars, American money, on an average of about 240 British Government rupees, and when that was exchanged we received only about 252 Osmania Sicca Rupees; so you see there has been a loss of Osmania Sicca Rs. 96 on every 100 dollars that we have received, or almost 30 dollars on every 100 dollars. This is a problem that the Board at home might well present to our friends and patrons so that they will increase their gifts for the support of schools and scholars.

OUR THANKS:—I want to thank all the Missionaries including Mrs. Harris for all their help, co-operation and prayers. We are also grateful to all the Indian members of the Annual Conference and other ordained workers for their help. We thank all others of our Indian brethren and sisters for the part they did to carry on the work of the district, not forgetting those who have worked in the office, for their part has been not in the least small. We want to thank all our good friends and patrons in U.S.A. who have helped us so loyally by their gifts and their prayers. We want to express our thanks to Bishop Robinson, the Mass Movement Commission and the members of the Home Board through whose patronage and inspiration the work on Hyderabad district has been carried on.

OUR NEEDS:—We just want to say one word more about the needs of the Hyderabad district. Time and space will not permit of writing all that is on my heart.

On the Hyderabad district we have one parent Board Missionary and his wife, 3 W.F.M.S. ladies, 4 lady assistants, 2 members of the Annual Conference, 2 ordained local preachers, 6 unordained local preachers, 20 exhorters, all other male workers 25, all other female workers 34, making a total of 99 workers. Out of this number one ordained local preacher is tied up entirely with Translation work. A number of the workers are teachers in our schools. One lady Missionary is the Principal of a school. The other ladies have their definite work with the women, and that only for the Hyderabad side.

The Yellandu section of the work has no ladies at all to look after the evangelistic and school work among women. The one parent Board Missionary and his wife must be divided up between the Yellandu section and the Hyderabad section which are 162 miles apart for Evangelistic schools, and all things combined. Hyderabad city alone furnishes work for two or three missionaries. The work at Yellandu has always had a missionary and his wife, so that when the missionary is in the Yellandu end of the work there is no parent Board Missionary at all in Hyderabad. We have a total of nearly 600 Christians. Our total constituency, for which we are responsible, numbers more than a 1,000,000. This year some of the villages

were not visited at all by any missionary. *This* ought not to be so. We must have help. We trust Brother and Sister Garden will soon return to help us out.

Hyderabad is the premier city of the premier Indian State, with a population of 450,000, and presents a great open door with tremendous opportunities and possibilities. It demands our immediate attention. We have failed in the past to realize our heritage although we have no fault whatever to find with those who have laboured so faithfully and well. We do hope that the South India Conference and the Board of Foreign Missions will rise to the occasion and provide a struggling infant church and an embryonic Boys' High School with Missionaries to lead them on to victory and to Christ. Comparisons are odious, so we have no desire to compare our needs with those of other mission fields; but we do believe that we need very immediate assistance in Hyderabad and that our requirements are second to none. We speak not out of selfish motives but on behalf of our Indian Christian brethren. Our work has so far not been duplicated by other missions; but unless we get busy very soon we will have no fields to work in. At present the Missionary is divided into so many varieties of service that he is unable to be effective in a huge city like this. We hope you who hear or read this report will pray God to send the needed help very soon.

We have other needs which we would like to present in this paper for the other sections of the district; but we refrain just now as we feel that one need is paramount and that the work of Hyderabad city itself. COME OVER INTO MACEDONIA AND HELP US.

J. D. HARRIS.

MADRAS DISTRICT

G. GERSHOM, *Superintendent*

I am deeply thankful to our Heavenly Father for all his mercies to me and mine, and to the whole district. I can say that it has been a blessed year with every one of us. The District has three Missionaries and their wives, two assistant lady Missionaries of W.F.M.S., six assistants, two Indian members of Conference, two ordained local preachers, eight unordained local preachers, twenty-six exhorters and ninety-nine other workers.

Almost every one of them has been faithful in his or her duty during the year. I thank God for having brought back our dear Missionaries the Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Kingham and their two children, the future Missionaries of the Indian Empire; they arrived in Madras on the 20th October, 1919. We are glad to have them back in India, and heartily welcome them amidst us. May God use them most abundantly to glorify His holy name. Miss Toll is on furlough, and we pray for her.

The Evangelistic Campaign of 1919.—This part of the work was observed with very keen interest throughout the district, 626 meetings held, 27,372 listeners, 164 received new heart, 110 baptisms, twenty altars destroyed, 14,465 tracts distributed, 524 Bible portions sold or distributed.

The Campaign Song and the text were printed by the kindness of our Dr. W. L. King, Agent of the Publishing House, and were freely distributed among the people.

We gave out 4,000 pages to the people and many learnt the text Matthew 1:21, "Thou shalt call his name Jesus, for he shall save his people from their sins" and the Tamil lyric No. 37 'He came to save the world.' Even to-day you can hear the children and adults alike sing the lyric. The Methodist Episcopal Mission has put a model to other denominations and they are following our example, and they are observing their Campaigns. Praise the Lord!

The Christian community has grown from 4,357 to 4,628, giving us an increase of 271. I do thank the Lord for this increase.

DEATHS :—There were forty-four deaths, seven less than last year.

The Vepery Tamil Church.—I am deeply grateful to report to this concerning our Tamil Church. Rev. Samuel Kanakaroyan has been an efficient assistant Pastor, and has rendered valuable services. He has been a great comfort to me in the work, and an earnest preacher, and a faithful visitor. The two years that we worked together seem to be like two days; they have been pleasant years, months and days; the service of the ladies in this connection is

worth mentioning. Miss F. Young and Miss Lydia Lewis have been a great help to this Tamil Church with their valuable workers, and because of their co-operation I have been able to see a very profitable year. Praise the Lord! Fifty-three were received on probation, seventy received into full membership, baptisms sixty, collections for Pastors Rs. 1,074-13-0. The Children's Day was a remarkable one, 28th September, 1919, was fixed for this important and pleasant day but it turned out to be a rainy morning, but still the gathering was not bad; we have had over 600 in the Church, the Rev. Dr. W. L. King was in the chair; Mrs. King gave away the Sunday School prizes, and the collections amounted to Rs. 28.

COLLECTIONS:—Early in the year the assistant lady Missionaries and the Pastor of the Tamil Church at Vepery, after having waited on the Lord for days, convened a Service of Consecration for all the workers, and the Spirit of God so helped each one of us and when the subject of tithing was explained to them, every one of them became a tither. We praise the Lord for his great help:—

Financial Statement for 1919.

NAME OF FUNDS.	RECEIPTS.			EXPENDI- TURE.			BALANCE IN HAND.		
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Pastor's Fund:--	RS.	A.	P.						
From Indians	914	8	6						
„ Europeans	184	12	0						
				1,099	4	6	1,074	13	0
Poor Fund...	...	...	...	53	8	2	31	0	2
Sunday School Fund	...	...	...	83	13	4	17	5	6
Epworth League Fund	...	...	...	55	0	0	10	10	0
Church building and upkeep.				456	14	11	414	8	3
Benevolences	...	...	...	113	4	8	113	4	8
									...

Praise the Lord, we feel as if we are on the high road on this line.

BAPTISMS:—Some one has said, "Be grateful for little mercies." There were 276 baptisms on the whole district, a very slight increase of six precious souls. I am sure you would have been very glad to hear of more baptisms as I expected it in my last report. I am hoping to see or to hear of a great Mass Movement in the near future in the southern section of the district. In this connection I might as well say here that the Spirit of God is paving the way for us—Luther Devadoss, a new convert who was baptized at Lakshmipuram Village Chapel, in Ottapidaram Circuit, immediately after his conversion and baptism, prepared thirty more souls to accept the Lord Jesus Christ and they were all baptized last February, and there is a Methodist Episcopal Church worship in the village where he is now a successful teacher and exhorter with his good wife. Glory be to God!

I have had a similar work accomplished by a small cow-grazing boy at Kodambakam near Madras.

Mrs. Helen Matthew's School.—A boy about twelve years old who was a cow-grazing boy about two years ago was attending our School at Kodambakam, was taught to trust on the Lord Jesus Christ and how to pray by Mrs. Matthew. The boy just learnt to trust in Jesus and then to pray and his confidence in Jesus Christ increased, he began to love Jesus, he desired that his dear parents should become believers on the Lord Jesus Christ, he first spoke to his father, the father did not seem to take any interest in his son's statement, the boy having great confidence in God, was praying every day for his dear parents, and did this for about two years; finally his parents yielded themselves to the will of God and accepted Christ as their personal Saviour, not only parents, but the boy's two sisters became believers also; thus I have had the pleasure of baptizing the five believers in Kodambakam Village Chapel. You can see what the Holy Spirit can do through a cow-grazing little boy of twelve years old.

One more item about the work during the year which is equally interesting to hear—The conversion of K. Paramanandam at Man-noorpet section; this man was a *poojari* (Priest) who made his living by his priesthood; he is now one of our teachers, and does faithful work at Attipedu; he was present in our District Conference that was held from the 14th—16th November, 1919, when I called him forward and asked him to tell us about his conversion, he got up with a cheerful face and stated to the audience before him, about a year ago he found the Gospel of St. John's, through one of our village preachers, and when he studied it by the help of our local preachers, the Holy Spirit seem to have made a deep impression on his heart about the love of God; he at once decided for Christ and was baptized by your servant, the writer of this report, and within four months' time, he won his legal wife for baptism, and she was baptized on the 23rd March, 1919, in Nikundrum Chapel near Madras.

Telugu work.—I must not forget the good work that is being done by our faithful Telugu brethren in this City of Madras; there is a steady progress on every line in connection with our Telugu work. Mr. Hauser has very kindly sent us a gift of \$100 for the extension of our Telugu Chapel at Palakalathoddi, besides his regular contributions for the support of the work and workers.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS :—There are ninety-seven Sunday schools in the district, with a staff of 105 officers and teachers, showing us an increase of eight schools, four officers and teachers and 319 scholars. In the India Sunday School Union—All-India Scripture Examination—110 candidates appeared, seventy-one passed, sixteen passing in first class and five taking maximum of marks. I am grateful to the officers and teachers for the good work they turned out during the year.

THE EPWORTH LEAGUE :—There is no change in the senior league, but the enrollment has gone up from 75 to 111, an increase

of thirty-six; there are seven junior leagues with 311 members, sixty-two more than last year.

THE CHURCH BUILDINGS:—There were several small chapel buildings during the year; the Nikundrum Chapel that was crushed down by the great storm of last year was re-built and was dedicated on the 23rd March, 1919, and the people of the village are happy in having a separate place for Divine worship.

DAY SCHOOL.—We have forty-eight schools and sixty teachers and 2,371 scholars, of these 391 are Christians and 1,980 non-Christians. I sincerely trust that the knowledge that is imparted to these young children and youths may be a benediction in their lifetime!

METHODIST BOYS' TAMIL SCHOOL:—As you all know both wife and myself were given charge of this school last December, 1918. We took charge of the institution with an enrollment of seventy-two, which number rose to seventy-eight in February, March and April. The Finance Committee that met in December, 1918, recommended that no grant should be given from the society funds from the 1st April, 1919, and to care the boys from the special gifts, and to send away all the boys that really did not belong to us as Methodists, so when the mid-summer holidays was given in May, 1919, I sent away more than twenty boys of different denominations. When the school was re-opened in July the enrollment was fifty-three, out of these fifty-three, four boys that work in the press were asked to board outside from the 1st October, 1919, three boys left the school, there are now forty-six boys in the school, of these forty-six, five boys attend the S.P.G. High School, the rest, forty-one, are reading in our own school. My application to the Educational Department was considered by the Inspector of Schools and was recognized for grant as Elementary School up to the Fourth Standard, and my second application for recognizing the Secondary School is under consideration.

I have built a new shed 34' x 14' at a cost of Rs. 350, and I have supplied the school with necessary materials and furniture. The management of the boarding department is under Mrs. Gershom, and the health of the schoolboys is very good; there is a home Doctor who is very kind to the school children; during the time of cholera and influenza he was a great comfort and mighty help. By the grace of God there was no death; the spiritual tone of the school is excellent; since the grant was stopped the school is behind by about Rs. 700, which sum is borrowed from the district funds, which ought to be made good. Dr. W. L. King, our financial advisor, was very good in helping me by his matured thoughts and vast experience. The Rev. and Mrs. Walter G. Gray, Missionaries-in-charge, Tuticorin section, have had a very fine year throughout, and Mr. Gray's report to the District Conference is very gratifying; there is an increase on every line, specially on self-supporting line.

THE TUTICORIN CHURCH:—This was cared by Rev. Edward Rajappan for the last nine years; owing to his old age, he was obliged to resign the Church-work, and for some time Mr. Gray had charge of it; but our Bishop and the District Superintendent were able to get a trained Lay-Pastor for Tuticorin Church; Bro. J. A. Thomas took charge of the Church in October, 1919, and it is sincerely hoped that by the help of our Heavenly Father the Church may grow in grace and in the knowledge of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and will strive on self-supporting basis.

THE CENTENARY ENTERPRISE IN MADRAS DISTRICT:—Our most worthy Secretary Rev. Dr. W. L. King has been trying his level best to make the centenary affairs known to our people here in South India; for this cause he supplied me a lot of tracts on centenary subjects, both in English and Vernaculars. I have tried my best and have convened several meetings for our people, and all the workers have with one accord pledged themselves to pay a month's salary for the centenary purposes. I think it is very good of our brethren and sisters, and they will prompt our poor Christian people to do their part in this connection.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society's work that was managed so admirably by Miss Grace Stephens for the last thirty-three years was given to the Misses Young and Lewis. Miss Grace Stephens had a glorious send off in April, 1919.

Miss Young and Miss Lewis, as Assistant Missionaries, did splendid work; Miss Young bore double burden, as dear Miss Lydia Lewis became sick; she is now going through deep waters owing to her dear mother's death; yet how bravely she is carrying on the work; it is wonderful how the Lord sustains his children's strength at the time of need.

These two ladies, assisted by six young ladies, were able to manage the work that was carried on by three lady Missionaries of the W.F.M.S.

In May, Miss Lydia Lewis having become sick, and the whole responsibility having fell on Miss Young, she needed more strength and wisdom; the Lord helped her in an astonishing way she carried on the work heroically; she has had charge of the Woman's Mission Home, and the Girls' Orphanage, and the general management of the whole of the W.F.M.S.; in addition to this, when Miss Lydia Lewis was sick she cared for her work as well, of course assisted by Miss Lewis's worthy assistants Miss Lydia Lewis, Miss Murray, and Mrs. Subboonagammal; and she was helped in the educational by Miss Mercy Staggs, Miss Winnie Vanderputt, Miss Dhanam Isaiah, and Miss Bauboo, who have done splendid work. As soon as Miss Lydia Lewis recovered her health and strength she resumed her work that was so dear to her in August, 1919.

The following is the number of their showing :--

Number of houses 350 ; Number of women 540 ; Number of women learning to read 105, lessons 3,845 ; visits 5,643, conversions 12 ; needle-work pupils 113, listeners 2,796 ; lessons 2,126 ; fees Rs. 1,012-2-0, mites Rs. 20-12-6 ; sales of paper 15-15-11.

SCHOOL AND SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENTS :—Number of schools 9, Number of pupils 311, mites Rs. 18-12-9 ; Number of Sunday Schools 20, Number of pupils 1,072, mites Rs. 5-8-3, Number of villages 50 ; listeners 15,487, instructed for baptism 57, baptized 43, Christians visited 638 times ; Christians taught to sing 157, Christians taught to pray 180, Christians taught to read 37, idols and sacred strings given up 14 ; purity cases 4, meetings 258, Christians 7, non-Christians 24. Average Number at each meeting 31. Total Collections from all departments Rs. 1,073-3-5.

ORPHANAGE :—One hundred and sixty scholarships, seven marriages, no deaths this year.

CHULAI :—One hundred and fifty last year, 240 this year, increase 90.

PUDUPET :—One hundred and six last year, owing to the change of the school, house, and children leaving that locality we have now got our attendance up to 93.

THE BIBLE SELLING DAY IN MADRAS DISTRICT :—This was observed on the fixed date, the 4th October, 1919, and sold over Rs. 80 worth of Scriptures, Testaments, and portions ; in Tuticorin Section it was observed on Deepavali Day.

COLPORTAGE :—This is a very encouraging factor in Madras District. There were two men last year and the National Bible Society of Scotland was pleased to grant us one more man for the village circuit, so we have now three men, but we all sell books. The total Number of Bibles and Testaments that were sold 140 ; forty-five more than last year, and the total Number of Scripture portions sold or distributed 8,808, an increase of 2,597, and the Number of tracts and handbills that were distributed 87,934 ; 30,890 more than last year. I do trust that these silent pages may be greatly blessed by the Holy Spirit and many a sinner find out their need of a Saviour, in whom we have found life eternal.

I cannot close this report without thanking our own Bishop J. E. Robinson for his close relationship with the work and for his advice, and those good Secretaries in New York office for their encouraging letters and help, and the good Christian people who have helped the work to grow by their fervent prayers, and their substantial helps. May God reward them most abundantly according to their labour of love and faith.

G. GERSHOM.

RAICHUR DISTRICT

D. O. ERNSBERGER, *Superintendent*

THE Raichur District as at present constituted embraces about one-third of the circuit to which Brother S. P. Jacobs and I were appointed in the year 1884. At that time there were no indigenous Christians in all that large circuit of three millions of people. Within the same territory there are at present more than 12,000 Christians the most of whom have been gathered in during the fifteen years we were absent from this field. That one original circuit has grown to three Districts, one of which is the Raichur District having an area of over 5,000 square miles and a population of nearly a million people.

The present staff of workers in the District are the district superintendent and his wife, one missionary of the W.F.M.S., one Indian member of Conference, one ordained Local Preacher, two unordained Local Preachers, ten Exhorters and fifty other workers, making a total of sixty-eight Christian workers in the District. A number of these are in Training School. In efficiency most of our Indian staff are greatly lacking, but by means of our Training School they are improving and in course of time we shall have a well trained staff of Indian workers. More missionaries to help train-up workers is the urgent need of this District.

We have been giving special attention to our Sunday School work and are glad to be able to report some advance. There are at present 53 Sunday Schools with an attendance of 668 scholars. We are using the Primary grade of lessons printed by our Publishing House in Madras. They answer our purpose fairly well, but I prefer the International Lessons.

Our Day and Night Schools are not all very prosperous. The attendance is not so large as it ought to be nor so regular. The reason for this state of things is not far to seek. With many of our people it often becomes a question of food or education. While they admit that education is very desirable, food is a necessity. So boys and girls are put to work to help and earn a living and our schools are empty. The average enrollment of our forty schools for the year was 398. The last year has been a very difficult one. Prices have been high and times hard. A good year should show better results in all lines of work, but especially in village school work.

Our Training School is going on regularly. There are at present ten men and four women in attendance. There are seven men and five women out in the work who really belong to the Training School,

so that we have twenty-six persons in training. As we have to begin with the alphabet, the process of training is rather a long one. But for the help from the Mass Movement funds we could not have the number in the Training School that we now have. We are, therefore, very grateful for these funds and hope they may continue to bless our work.

Before we can enlarge our Training School attendance we shall have to erect more buildings and this again will require funds. We have accommodation for only five married men and six or eight single men at present.

The evangelistic side of our work has not been neglected. By turning away village after village and asking them to wait awhile we have managed to keep the number of baptisms down to 333 for the year. We have a long waiting list, but as all the enquirers want workers in their villages soon after they are baptized, and as we have not enough workers for the villages we have already entered, we have to keep them waiting on till we can find or train men to send to them. Some months ago two of our workers made a tour in a small portion of the District to find out how many were ready for baptism. On their return they reported that they found over 250 families in fourteen villages ready. In this tour the men did not go more than 25 miles distant from Raichur.

We carried on the Evangelistic Campaign as usual from the middle of February to the middle of March, but this being harvest time in these parts, many of the people were in their fields from early morning till late at night and some of them all night. Therefore, while we had many interesting and profitable meetings, we were convinced that a month earlier will be a better time for the Campaign in this District.

So far as we have been able to ascertain no District Conference session has been held within the bounds of this District for three years. At our Fourth Quarterly Conference we elected the required members with a view to having a session next year.

Mrs. Ernsberger has charge of the W.F.M.S. work of the District. The Girls' Boarding School is in a prosperous condition. The boarders have increased from 24 to 49 and the Day School has an attendance of 52. We are hoping that money has been granted for the W.F.M.S. buildings. The buildings now in use for the girls is on the property belonging to the Board of Foreign Missions and besides being too small for the anticipated growth of the Girls' School, it is needed for a Boys' Boarding School.

The W.F.M.S. evangelistic work is greatly hindered by the lack of efficient women workers. However, with a missionary of the W.F.M.S. in charge of the Boarding School and the district superintendent's wife set free for the evangelistic work, much can be done with the present staff of women who are free for such work.

Miss Watts arrived in Raichur from America March 1st. She has spent the time since then in the study of the Kanarese language in which she has made commendable progress. She expects to appear for the S.I.M.A. Examination next May.

The outlook for hard work and abundant success in this field of labour was never better than at present, and I doubt if the outlook is better in any District of the Conference.

My predecessor greatly endeared himself to the people of this District. As to the number of circuits, the District was just twice as great as when I took over charge at the beginning of the year and, as to territory, nearly twice as large as the present District. Certainly a field with 5,000 square miles of territory and a million people is sufficient to absorb the time and energy of any ordinary missionary. My predecessor had more than this and he wrought valiantly and efficiently, but to compass the whole of such a District is not in the power of any one missionary. At least five missionaries of the Board are needed for this District as at present constituted.

The health of our staff and of the girls in the Boarding School has been exceptionally good the entire year. For health, peace and all spiritual blessings of the year we ascribe all praise to our Lord and Master who has been so good to us.

D. O. ERNSBERGER.

VIKARABAD DISTRICT

M. D. ROSS, *Superintendent, until July*

HUGH H. LINN, *Acting Superintendent*

THE year just closed has been one exceptionally unfortunate for the Vikarabad District. To begin with our pastors and teachers were just recovering from the ravages of influenza from which they had suffered much so that it was not until well on in February that the work begun to move onward under a very depleted Indian leadership. Brother Ross suffered more or less from malarial fever all the time he was on the District and finally had to leave for America in July, leaving our 25,000 and more village Christians and their pastors without a missionary. This gave the Indian pastors a good chance to demonstrate the strength of the infant church—but the great number of our village leaders are too near the beginning of their Christian life and experience to make much force without close missionary supervision, consequently our more advanced Indian leaders found the burden too heavy for them, as the growth of the District for the year will show.

Upon the home going of Brother Ross in July, Rev. Camp and Rev. Harris already overloaded with their own Districts were each given three of the larger circuits of the Vikarabad District, while Rev. Morgan took eight circuits and five were left to me along with the office work naturally arising from such a District. Thus with the help of the lady missionaries the District has not been left entirely without missionary supervision. However when all the missionaries concerned already had more work than they were able to manage to the best advantage it must certainly follow that they could not give their best service to the Vikarabad District.

EDUCATIONAL.—Rev. Morgan reports as follows for the J. L. Crawford Boys' School. The J. L. Crawford Boys' School is a concrete example of at least two comforting truths, namely, "Hitherto the Lord has helped us" and "The Lord will provide". A brief review of the School's financial experience during the last four years clearly proves the Lord's promises.

In addition to the rise in prices on all commodities due to the war, the British India Exchange on U.S. currency has fallen nearly 25 per cent. The Hyderabad State exchange on British Rupees has fallen 10 per cent., making a total cut or loss of one-third on all monies from America. The hard times have been farther intensified by epidemics of plague, influenza, besides drought and famine prices in the last two years, so that the cost of feeding, clothing and educating a boy has more than doubled in the last four years. Our expenses

would have been considerable more were it not for the fact that our boys in addition to their regular work of preparing their own food, etc., averaged from one-fourth to one-third of their school days on the farm planting, weeding, and reaping twelve acres of pulse, jawari, wheat and oil seeds. The income would have been larger had not the rains been so irregular the last two years.

The drop in average enrollment from 115 to 110 is due, retrenching by endeavouring to raise the standard of admission requirements to being able to read the first Telugu reader. This enabled us to drop one of our infant classes. Of course orphans and special cases are admitted without the above qualifications.

The results of our Special Upper Primary Government Examination were disappointing this year as only three passed. The Arithmetic paper was so outrageous that the Government saw fit to issue the order that hereafter the Arithmetic paper must not exceed the requirements of the curriculum for the IV Standard. Even then the boys would have probably done much better had they not spent so many school days in farm work.

Our entire third form of five Christian boys, without preliminary plucking, were sent up to the Government Middle School English Examination and three passed. We have seven boys in higher schools; one in teacher training, four in the fourth form, one in the fifth form and one in the sixth form.

A regular course in Bible study, sexual purity and total abstinence is supplemented by old fashioned class meetings in the dormitories. Opportunity for expression is afforded in the bazaar preaching service. And during last vacation, 1919, sixteen boys spent six weeks as volunteer teachers in our village primary and Sunday Schools throughout the district.

When the Crawford School enters into the use of the interest of Mrs. Crawford's magnificent endowment, it will mark a glorious epoch in its history. Hitherto its management has been sadly handicapped by its inability to secure proper apparatus, equipment and sufficient salaries to hold first class teachers. Now our dreams of a first class Middle and Normal Training School for teachers with industrial shops for carpentry, smithery, etc., and a model and experimental farm are made possible by the foresight and generosity of our founder. And thus we hope and trust may be fulfilled the prophecy of our Bishop J. E. Robinson that the J. L. Crawford Boys' School shall be "as the fountain from which shall steadily flow into all parts of the field the unceasing tide of Christian workers who are to make the wilderness to blossom as the rose and desert as the garden of the Lord."

Miss Wells reports :—The Vikarabad Girls' School has been able to tide over the financial difficulties of the year through the help received from the Mass Movement and Famine Relief Funds.

Thirty-three orphaned and destitute children have been taken in and cared for since last year. A new School-house and dormitories for the village children is an imperative need.

Three girls passed the Government Middle School and ten the Upper Primary examinations. From this school eight girls are taking their High School course, four are in Nurse Training and one is in Normal Training School.

The coming of Miss Mabel Morgan is a cause of great gratitude and she has ably taken hold of the class-room work.

The Training School for village leaders with an average enrollment of but thirteen is much below that of last year and the demands of the work. At present the men are given besides their regular school work a certain amount of manual labour about the Mission grounds to the edification of the men in training as well as the improvement of the Mission property.

The rule is that they shall be given three months training and then at least three months in the villages; but as a number of these men were single, we have delayed sending them out until they could secure a helpmate which for some of them appears to be rather difficult.

Our village primary schools have decreased by twenty-three largely through the death of workers whom it was impossible to replace.

EVANGELISTIC.—This year not only missionary forces were short but the village pastors and teachers were very much cut down through deaths by influenza—this in a measure accounts for a decrease in total membership in spite of the fact that there has been more than 1,000 baptisms.

The District is divided into seventeen circuits which are under the supervision of Indian pastors ranging from second year local preacher up to local Deacon. With these are some eighty other helpers, most of whom have not had more than three months training in the School for village leaders.

At the time of the District Conference our people were much helped by the teachings of Tamil David, and every one went back to his work with new power but we must have more workers. One missionary could well spend his whole time in developing the Training School for village workers. Where we have had an average attendance this year of but thirteen we ought to have at least 100. Such a missionary would not only supervise the school here but follow the men to their villages and help them in doing the work there and at the same time secure other suitable candidates for the school. We can never build up a strong Christian Church from the class of people we are now baptizing without giving them at least the beginnings of an education.

The Evangelistic work of the District can well occupy the full time of two evangelistic missionaries even if we were not to baptize another of the people who are now asking for admission to the Church.

MEDICAL.—The medical work has made some advance especially since the coming of Miss Kline in the early part of July. Miss Kline has been loaned to us on account of the closing of the Kolar Hospital and though we much regret their misfortune in having to close their work we certainly have much to be thankful for her coming to Vikarabad. For some nine years we have insisted that a Hospital in India without a trained nurse was not a real Hospital. We now have additional evidence in that preceding the arrival of our trained nurse we had but forty in-patients in eight months, while in the four months after her arrival over four hundred have been cared for in the Hospital while the number of Dispensary patients has increased as well.

At present the Hospital very much needs additional equipment, nurses quarters both for Indian and American nurses, kitchen, store rooms, Muhammadan and Hindu wards and private rooms, a sewage system and water works as well as a storage battery to make our electric light plant a paying proposition.

In going over a set of questions sent out by the New York office in order to determine the efficiency of the Hospital we find the best we can do ours is not more than 33 per cent. efficient. Such an efficiency is surely a very poor representation of Christianity at the present day. It does not mean that we should close our Medical work but that we should speedily go about to make it more efficient, which will mean an investment of no less than two or three thousand dollars a year for the next five years, in addition to salaries of missionary and nurse.

During the past year over 12,000 treatments have been given from the Dispensary and Rs 2,345 received in fees, etc., an amount far below the outlay for drugs and other running expenses.

We have to thank all the missionaries and Indian workers who have helped in holding the District together in these strenuous times, as well as a goodly number of people in the home land who by their prayers and their offerings have made this work possible.

HUGH H. LINN.

XII. REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

1. STATE OF THE CHURCH

Like last year this year has been one of sorrow and sickness but the work has gone on and prospered. There is the usual note of faith and encouragement in the reports of the District Superintendents and the belief that goodness and mercy have followed the workers on each District.

Raichur.—There have been 333 baptisms on the District this year and there is still a long waiting list. But they cannot be baptized because of the lack of workers. The Evangelistic tour in February and March was very successful and interesting. There was no District Conference held but plans were made for one next year. The outlook for abundant success in the coming months is exceedingly good.

Gulbarga.—This is a strategic point as it is the head of a District as well as a division of the Nizam's Dominions. There are 4,085 baptized Christians and, as in all Districts, there are inadequate workers for the teaching of these thousands. This year 303 were baptized on the District. The membership of the Church has increased about 50 per cent., from 217 to 327. The Lingayat work is both promising and fruitful. Many sincere enquirers are found in this community and it is hoped that many future helpers will come out from among them. Some of the staunchest Christians on the District are Lingayats. There was a very good advance in colportage; 1,780 scriptures being sold as over against the 851 of last year. As the District was divided, the Gulbarga District Conference met for the first time. At this Conference the Centenary was an important feature.

Vikarabad.—Influenza among Indian workers and Missionaries in the early part of the year was a great hindrance. Deaths among the workers left the ranks sadly depleted. In spite of more than 1,000 baptisms the total membership of the Church is decreased. Tamil David's meetings gave the workers a new strength of purpose.

Madras.—There has been a good increase in the Tamil Church. On the District there have been 276 baptisms. Colportage has also increased in a very encouraging manner. Tithing is general among the workers this year. There have been some notable conversions on this District.

Bidar.—The first Bidar District Conference was held this year as this District was separated at the last Annual Conference, from the Hyderabad-Vikarabad District. It was a very helpful time for all who attended. This has been a year of great sickness and trouble. Epidemic followed epidemic but the Christians stood the test. Now the crops are coming on and famine is not so severe. Only one village was baptized although five or six are ready. A new caste, the basket weavers, are asking for baptism, but for the present are being held off.

Hyderabad.—There is much cause for thanksgiving in spite of the fact that the work has suffered from lack of workers and from famine. The evangelistic campaign which was held in February and March was a success owing to the faithfulness of the workers. The Hindustani as well as the Telugu work has prospered. There have been ten baptisms in the Hindustani work, which is a good record for this difficult kind of work. From everywhere on the District comes the cry for preachers. Some very inspirational meetings were held under the leadership of Tamil David.

English.—There has been steady growth in the Bangalore English Circuit. The Hyderabad Church by removals and deaths is losing its membership, but Secunderabad is holding its own. The adult membership of the latter Church is not large, but there is a growing Sunday School which promises well. The Belgaum Church has met with much encouragement in its work among the British soldiers stationed there. In Madras the most encouraging feature of the work has been an increased interest in Sunday Schools and week day services. There are a splendid band of lay-workers in the Madras Churches.

Belgaum.—The Mass Movement funds have greatly helped and enabled the opening of schools, the appointing of new preachers and the training of young men for the work. Still there are many villages in need of a preacher and it is hard to refuse them. Tamil David was also in Belgaum for District Conference. This year's District Conference was felt to be the best in the history of the District. The evangelistic campaign also brought good results. There is an increasing interest in Christianity among the caste people of Bail Hongal Circuit. The Gokak Criminal Tribes Settlement is a new and interesting work and a very hopeful one.

CHARLES F. LIPP,
Chairman.

2. CONFERENCE TREASURER

(1) CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS' FUND

General Funds

Dr.	Rs.	A.	P.	Cr.	Rs.	A.	P.
To Collections, 1919 ...	727	0	0	By Payments—			
„ Dividends, Board of				„ Overspent 1918 ...	122	8	11
Conference Clai-				„ Mrs. Toussaint ...	660	0	0
mants ...	914	8	3	„ Mrs. Peters ...	194	12	0
„ Dividends, Book				„ Mrs. Narappa ...	84	0	0
Concern ...	1,372	5	4	„ Mrs. Job ...	108	0	0
„ Interest on Loans,				„ Mrs. Maigur ...	144	0	0
1918, 1919 ...	842	13	0	„ Belgaum Boys' Hos-			
				tel ...	60	0	0
				„ Belgaum Girls'			
				Hostel ...	36	0	0
				„ Postage ...	13	11	0
				„ Cash Balance ...	2,433	10	8
Total Rs. ...	3,856	10	7	Total Rs. ...	3,856	10	7

SOUTH INDIA CONFERENCE

(2) PERMANENT FUND

Investments Rs. 8,535-0-0

(3) EDUCATIONAL FUND

General Fund

Dr.		Rs.	A.	P.	Cr.		Rs.	A.	P.
To Balance, 1918	...	534	3	9	By Payments of Scholarships—				
„ Interest, 1918, 1919	...	221	14	0	„ Baldwin Boys' School.	384	0	0	
„ Collections for 1919	...	1,111	8	0	„ Baldwin Girls' School.	348	0	0	
					„ Belgaum Boys' Hostel	144	0	0	
					„ Belgaum Girls' Hostel	72	0	0	
					„ Knott's Girls' School	108	0	0	
					„ Crawford's Boys' School	...	36	0	0
					„ Postage and Exchange	1	4	0	
					„ Cash Balance	...	774	5	9
Total Rs.	...	1,867	9	9	Total Rs.	...	1,867	9	9

(4) INVESTMENT FUND

Investments Rs. 2,459-0-0

(5) BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

Dr.		Rs.	A.	P.	Cr.		Rs.	A.	P.
To Collections for 1919	...	545	8	0	By Payment to Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions	...	545	8	0
Total Rs.	...	545	8	0	Total Rs.	...	545	8	0

(6) MISSION CLAIMANTS

Dr.		Rs.	A.	P.	Cr.		Rs.	A.	P.
To Collections in 1919	...	195	0	0	By Payment to the Treasurer of the I.H.P. Fund	...	195	0	0
Total Rs.	...	195	0	0	Total Rs.	...	195	0	0

(7) GENERAL CONFERENCE EXPENSES

Dr.		Rs.	A.	P.	Cr.		Rs.	A.	P.
To Collections in 1919	...	248	8	0	By Payment to Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions	...	248	8	0
Total Rs.	...	248	8	0	Total Rs.	...	248	8	0

(8) CENTRAL CONFERENCE EXPENSES

Dr.		Rs.	A.	P.	Cr.
To Balance from 1918	...	101	8	0	
„ Collections, 1919	...	114	0	0	
Total Rs.	...	215	8	0	

(9) EPISCOPAL FUND

Dr.		Rs.	A.	P.	Cr.		Rs.	A.	P.
To Collections for 1919	...	887	0	0	By Payment to the				
					Treasurer, Board of				
					Foreign Missions...	887	0	0	
Total Rs.	...	887	0	0	Total Rs.	...	887	0	0

(10) BOARD OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Dr.		Rs.	A.	P.	Cr.		Rs.	A.	P.
To Collections for 1919	...	125	0	0	By Payment to the				
					Treasurer, Board of				
					Foreign Missions...	125	0	0	
Total Rs.	...	125	0	0	Total Rs.	...	125	0	0

(11) LOCAL PREACHERS' PENSION FUND

		Rs.	A.	P.			Rs.	A.	P.
To Collections, 1919	...	11	0	0	By Payment to the				
					Treasurer of the				
					I.H.P. Fund ...	11	0	0	
Total Rs.	...	11	0	0			11	0	0

C. F. LIPP,
Conference Treasurer.

3. TOTAL ABSTINENCE

We rejoice and render thanks to Almighty God that the forces arrayed under the banner of total abstinence are at last beginning to go over the top in an aggressive campaign against the evils that spring from the use of alcohol.

The action of the American Congress in voting down emphatically by a large majority the President's veto of war legislation against the consumption of spirituous liquors, has our unanimous approval and commendation. This action is a conclusive refutation of the charges made by the anti-prohibition forces that this great moral victory of the American people was the work of a small minority of narrow minded bigots against the liberties of the people.

We are pleased to note the activity of several native states against the ravages of intemperance in Southern Asia. We would especially congratulate His Exalted Highness the Nizam's Government upon the success achieved by his Department in steadily decreasing the number of its arrack shops from year to year. Instead of allowing spirits to be distilled in every village as formerly,

the manufacture of liquor is restricted to five centres. The Home Secretary and the Excise Commissioner both assure us that it is the policy of Government to restrict its sale more and more as the years go by. We welcome the efforts of our Hindu and Muhammadan brethren to rid their land of this curse and assure them of our best wishes and hearty co-operation.

We are glad to report that the usual instruction against the danger of alcohol has been given in our Boarding Schools and villages. And we welcome the systematic campaign against intemperance that is soon to be inaugurated by our Centenary leaders. We exhort that every pastor and teacher secure all the literature to be published by the Temperance Department of our Centenary Campaign and to follow the plans therein faithfully. Let everyone co-operate heartily at the post where he has been placed and when the signal is given, by the Grace of God, we will go over the top and win for India's fair land, the most glorious victory ever won for the freedom and the uplift of God's people.

W. L. MORGAN.

4. CONFERENCE STEWARDS

We recommend that the Treasurer pay in 1920 as follows:—

To Mrs. Toussaint	...	...	...	...	Rs. 480
„ „ J. Narappa	...	...	...	...	„ 96
„ „ S. M. Job	...	...	...	...	„ 108
„ Manager, Belgaum Boys' Hostel, for Mrs. Maigur's son	...	...	...	...	„ 60
„ Manager, Belgaum Girls' Boarding School, for Mrs. Maigur's daughter	...	...	...	...	„ 36
„ Mrs. Maigur	...	...	...	...	„ 144

The Quarterly Conferences are expected to adhere to the Discipline in recommendation of all Conference Claimants.

W. L. KING.

W. L. MORGAN.

C. W. SCHARER.

M. LEWIS.

N. DESAI.

K. E. ANDERSON.

5. APPORTIONMENT OF BENEVOLENCES

DISTRICTS.	Conference Claimants.	Mission Claimants.	Episcopal Fund.	Board of Foreign Missions.	Education.	Board of Sunday Schools.	General Conference.	Central Conference.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Bangalore	48	18	52	36	50	12	21	12
Belgaum	40	18	52	32	50	12	24	12
Bidar	24	14	62	22	35	8	16	8
English	280	40	480	200	475	60	120	60
Gulbarga	18	10	46	15	25	6	13	6
Hyderabad	10	5	26	10	15	6	10	5
Madras	36	20	78	32	50	12	24	12
Raichur	14	8	36	13	20	5	10	5
Vikarabad	50	27	236	40	65	14	32	15
Total Rs.	520	160	1,068	400	785	135	270	135

6. AGGRESSIVE EVANGELISM

The evangelistic campaign was carried out in the various districts. The results were very good. The object in most districts was to develop Christians already baptized.

A number of our Missionaries attended the Telugu Missions Conference and received great inspiration.

We heartily approve of the resolutions of the Mass Movement Committee adopted by that Conference. These relate to the danger of baptizing large numbers of inquirers without due preparation and without provision for subsequent supervision.

Especially we approve of the resolutions for making an economic survey of the conditions of the people and for appointing a Standing Committee to co-operate with like Committees of other Missions and be a bureau of information on all social questions.

We recognize the need of pushing the educational work of our Conference even more than has been done.

We find in the English Churches and in the older Indian Christian communities the Watch Night Service held at the passing of the old year offers a most favourable time of pressing for personal decision in the Christian life, and the same is true of the services during Passion Week. We recommend the observance of these wherever advisable.

Suggested Evangelistic Programme for the coming year:—

Evangelistic campaigns to be held in February and October.

Thank-offerings to be taken at these times.

The programme to be that laid down by the Centenary Programme Committee.

That greater emphasis be laid on the preparing of the people for admission into full membership into the Church.

C. W. SCHARER,
Chairman.

7. CENTENARY DISTRIBUTION OF SCRIPTURES AND TRACTS

In view of the scarcity of suitable tracts and handbills and in view of the large variety that will be needed for our Centenary, we urge upon all the desirability of helping the work of preparation by providing manuscripts for tracts and hand-bills on subjects they may consider to be suitable for use at the present time.

We request the District Superintendent to place an order for tracts, handbills and scriptures covering at least two years of the objectives of his District and that the Centenary Committee in each District inform each preacher-in-charge and other workers of the number of Scripture they must endeavour to sell.

Since the Scripture Day has been very successful, we recommend one day each quarter in each District for the sale of Scriptures and the sale and distribution of tracts and handbills.

C. W. SCHARER,
Chairman.

8. AUDIT

With the exception of the Girls' School at Vikarabad, the accounts of which were audited only to July 1st, all of the various Mission accounts have been audited up to recent dates, and have been inspected by the chairman. In nearly all of the stations fairly good balances were shown. The auditors are of the opinion that the book-keeping system of the Stanley Girls' School does not meet with their approval, and they suggest that the School authorities employ a part-time book-keeper and that a ledger be added to the account books of the School.

Some of the W.F.M.S. accounts in Vikarabad do not meet with the approval of the Committee, because the vouchers are only loose slips of paper pinned to the pages of the cash book. These vouchers should be pasted into a book to be of any real use to the auditors, for, in auditing all mission accounts, the auditors ought to work from the vouchers to the cash book and not from the cash book to the vouchers.

A. B. COATES,
Chairman.

9. BOARD OF EDUCATION

Bangalore

We feel that the work along all lines has progressed in the Baldwin Girls' High School during the last year. A complete Staff, well equipped and qualified has done faithful and conscientious work; the children have improved in scholarship to our gratification; they have developed and progressed physically, and the spiritual tone of the school is, we feel, deeper and truer. We cannot speak too gratefully of Mr. Fritchley's financial aid and personal interest evinced. Our members have increased and a Nursery Department has been opened this year for the very tiny tots.

We are grateful for the countless blessings with which this year has been filled, and look forward to a new year with faith and trust in Him to whom we have committed all things.

M. E. ROBINSON.

The enrolment of the Kolar Girls' School has been 132. Six out of seven girls who appeared for the Kanarese Lower Secondary Examination and two out of three appearing for the same in English were successful. Two girls have begun High School work. A spirit of real competition among the girls is being felt. This is much toward the efficiency of the work accomplished.

Belgaum

The Government Grant-in-aid of the Belgaum Girls' Boarding School has been increased by Rs. 204 during this past year above that of the previous years.

There are twenty-three girls attending the Boys' High School, eight of whom are from our Girls' Boarding School and many of the others are from our Girls' Day Schools, which proves to me that we are greatly in need of a Girls' High School.

Bidar

Bidar Girls' School has not grown as rapidly this year as last, but there has been an increase. There are now seventy-five girls. Influenza and whooping cough have been with us, but otherwise the health of the girls has been good. Last December two girls were sent to Kolar to complete Lower Secondary so as to take Normal Training in Bangalore. We are trying to grow our own teachers.

Madras

The Inspectress reports of the M.E. Orphanage, Madras, as follows:—

“The Inspectress notes with pleasure the satisfactory condition of the school and hopes that its prestige would be maintained in future years.”

The Chulai Caste Girls' School closes the year with an increase of ninety new pupils, and the girls were delighted to see that they collected the largest amount secured for the Children's Day collection.

The Pudupet Poor Girls' School was very broken up owing to Government acquiring the Pudupet land, but we are glad to report we close the year with ninety-three pupils.

The Otary, Pulianthope, and Swaminaickencheri Village Schools were put under the Government Grant-in-aid this year.

F. YOUNG.

Raichur

The Raichur Girls' School has doubled in its numbers this year. We have been kept almost entirely free from sickness, with the exception of two of our youngest who brought whooping cough with them from the village. This disease showed itself a short time after their arrival in our school. Because of the good health there has been a remarkable increase in attendance each month. Our hearts have been filled with praise to God for keeping the pupils in our school and people living on our compound free from cholera and plague which diseases have been all around us.

Vikarabad

The Vikarabad Girls' School rejoices in the passing of three girls in the Middle School and ten in the Upper Primary Examination. Another cause of rejoicing is the coming in the middle of the year of Miss Mabel Morgan as a contract teacher.

Recommendations

The Board of Education desires through this Conference to memorialize the Central Conference to recognize the Kolar Girls' School as the M.E. Mission Girls' High School, Kolar, and also to recognize the Belgaum Girls' School as a High School for girls.

The Board granted the following scholarships at Rs. 7 per mensem:—

Baldwin Boys' High School

W. Baden	V. White
N. D'Vine	M. White
E. Biddy	

Baldwin Girls' High School

Muriel Baker	Alice Robinson
Catherine Jackman	Gladys Nicholson
Kathleen Brady	

At Rs. 2 per mensem two scholarships were awarded to Bertie Phillips and James Conquest.

For Indian Students the following scholarships at Rs. 3 per month were sanctioned:—

Belgaum Boys' High School

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|-------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Solomon Maigur | 3. Prabhu Kademani |
| 2. Sumanth Maigur | 4. Hannor Kadiyappa |

Belgaum Girls' School

1. Tara Maigur
2. Datti Hittalmanie
3. Mary Veda

Bidar Boys' School

- | | |
|------------|----------|
| 1. Matthew | 3. Luke |
| 2. Mark | 4. David |

Vikarabad Boys' School

- | | |
|------------------|------------------------|
| 1. B. C. William | 3. M. Jacob |
| 2. A. John Paul | 4. I. Devadass Abunnah |

Vikarabad Girls' School

- | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Sanga Bai Jetappa | 4. Esther David |
| 2. Sharana Tukeram | 5. Gnanama Samuel |
| 3. Uggrama Joseph | |

The Board views with pleasure the desire for higher education which is seen on every hand among our young people. But it also realizes that very soon its resources will be totally inadequate to help such students ; therefore the Board earnestly urges the establishment of a large endowment fund to be used for educational purposes in this Conference. It requests that this be made one of the Centenary Objectives and every effort be made to swell such a fund.

The Board of Education expresses its deep gratitude to the Mass Movement Commission, to the National Missionary Council and to the Home Board for help received by various schools during this time of famine and high prices.

GRACE KING,
Assistant Secretary.

10. CENTENARY CAMPAIGN

Recognizing the great significance of the Centenary movement in India your Committee desires to reaffirm the Objectives announced in our previous Conference, as follows :—

OBJECTIVES BY DISTRICTS

The present number of full members—6,222—is to be doubled—

			Full Members	To be added	Christian com- munity	To be added
Bangalore	...	...	320	320	2,707	1,705
Belgaum	...	...	415	415	9,827	5,791
Bidar	...	...	467	467	5,111	3,219
English	...	...	321	321	398	253
Gulbarga	...	...	327	327	4,085	2,513
Hyderabad	...	...	872	872	5,904	3,419
Madras	...	...	834	834	4,628	2,915
Raichur	...	...	66	66	3,782	2,193
Vikarabad	...	...	2,600	2,600	25,744	16,218
			<u>6,222</u>	<u>6,222</u>	<u>62,186</u>	<u>38,226</u>

Sunday Schools

To be doubled—

		No. of Schools	Pupils	Annual increase	
				Schools	Pupils
Bangalore ...	...	80	2,356	16	472
Belgaum ...	...	135	3,966	27	794
Bidar ...	...	91	1,429	18	286
English ...	...	8	511	2	103
Gulbarga ...	...	63	720	13	144
Hyderabad...	...	84	1,640	15	328
Madras ...	...	97	3,576	20	716
Raichur ...	...	53	668	11	132
Vikarabad ...	...	258	5,907	52	1,182
Total ...		869	20,773	174	4,157

Theological and Training Students

To be doubled—

						Present	Objective
Bangalore	...	...	...	...	...	25	
Belgaum	...	...	...	...	31	62	
Bidar	...	...	...	...	35	70	
English	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Gulbarga	...	...	...	...	6	30	
Hyderabad	...	...	...	...	42	100	
Madras	...	...	...	...	...	25	
Raichur	...	...	...	...	16	30	
Vikarabad	...	...	...	...	13	50	
Total ...				...	143	392	

Scripture and Tract Distribution

Scriptures, 834,000. Tracts, 5,000,000—

N.B.—Each paid Worker, 900 Scripture Portions and 5,000 Tracts.

			Workers	Portions	Tracts
Bangalore ...	...	...	144	129,600	720,000
Belgaum ...	...	...	175	157,500	875,000
Bidar ...	...	...	101	90,900	505,000
English ...	...	...	15	13,500	75,000
Gulbarga ...	...	...	66	59,400	330,000
Hyderabad ...	...	...	99	89,100	495,000
Madras ...	...	...	143	128,700	715,000
Raichur ...	...	...	66	59,400	330,000
Vikarabad ...	...	...	242	217,800	1,210,000
Total ...		...	1,051	955,900	5,255,000

Non-Christian Teachers to be replaced by Christian as far as possible

Self-Support

To double amount given in 1918 for Pastoral support in Indian Church only—

		Now	1923	Av. Yr. Ad.
Bangalore	...	1,162	2,092	232
Belgaum	...	2,858	5,144	572
Bidar	...	1,924	3,463	385
English	...	12,324	...	...
Gulbarga	...	905	1,629	181
Hyderabad	...	2,899	5,218	580
Madras	...	2,189	3,941	438
Raichur	...	665	1,197	133
Vikarabad	...	4,305	7,749	861
Total	...	16,907	30,733	3,382

Endowment

Rs. 8,457—

Bangalore	...	...	...	438
Belgaum	...	...	...	1,285
English	...	...	...	...
Gulbarga-Bidar	...	...	...	684
Hyderabad-Vikarabad	...	...	...	4,882
Madras	...	...	...	625
Raichur	...	...	...	1,043
Total	...	...	...	8,957

Further, we announce the purpose of the Conference to secure an endowment of Rs. 1,00,000 for the Baldwin Boys' High School of an endowment of Rs. 50,000 for the Baldwin Girls' High School, and to raise an endowment of Rs. 30,000 for the Retired Local Preachers' Fund and Rs. 30,000 for the Conference claimants' Fund.

Moreover as our objective in the Campaign for Life Service, we announce the following, an enlistment of 755 for Life Service thus distributed :—

Baldwin Boys' and Girls' High Schools	...	...	30
Gulbarga School	...	...	25
Hyderabad Bible Institute and Girls' School	...	...	150
Vikarabad Schools	...	...	150
Raichur Schools	...	...	50
Madras Schools	...	...	100
Belgaum Schools	...	...	100
Kolar Schools	...	...	50
Total	...	...	755

Further, in our Campaign for Christian Stewardship, we announce the Conference Goal of 30,000 Christian Stewards who in loving loyalty to God will regularly pay the tithe as the minimum acknowledgment of His ownership of all things.

C. F. LEPP, *Chairman*.J. J. KINGHAM, *Executive Secretary*.

11. CONFERENCE ENTERTAINMENT

Your Committee on questions regarding Conference entertainment, report that they do not consider it advisable to either pool expenses or to hold the sessions year after year in the same place.

W. L. KING,
Chairman.

12. TELUGU CONFERENCE

We appreciate the privilege of having attended the meetings of the Telugu Missions Conference held at Bezwada from the 9th to the 11th of December, 1919, as representatives of the Methodist Episcopal Mission and report that all its sessions were profitable and inspiring; and

We wish to present the following recommendations to our Conference:—

(1) That the South India Conference appoint a Committee in each language area to make a survey of the social and economic conditions of our Christian Community;

(2) That our South India Conference Vernacular Literature Committee co-operate with similar Committees of other Missions, and that we commend the plan of offering prizes for the production of sound Christian Literature;

(3) That the South India Conference approve of the formation of a separate Telugu Missions Council.

(4) That we heartily approve of pushing forward our Indian workers and laymen to positions of responsibility.

J. D. HARRIS.
MISS BECK.
MISS PARTRIDGE.
O. DAVID.

13. MEDICAL

BIDAR.—

"I haven't the heart to write much about this great neglected important part of the Missionary work in Bidar. Sick and dying and full of sores they come to us, but we must send hundreds away unhealed and in despair. Every mail we are hoping that word will come of a doctor coming, but to date no such word has come. With the help of Cornelius, our Indian Compounder, Mrs. Camp and I have done what we could. We have inoculated for plague throughout the villages, and the people are glad that we will come. All castes and creeds stand in line and the same needle pricks Muhammadan, Hindu, and Christian, one after the other. Fifteen thousand nine hundred and eighty-six treatments were given this year. Sixty-one in-patients were cared for and this does not include the numbers that were cared for on the Mission compound during Influenza. Two hundred and eighty rupees were received from the people. This isn't much, but when they couldn't buy bread how can they pay for medicine? But we must have a doctor and have one soon. if we are to hold the work that we have already taken up. We are very grateful to Dr. Linn for his help in buying medicines for us and caring for the patients we have sent him."

VIKARABAD.—

"The Medical work has made some advance especially since the coming of Miss Kline in the early part of July. Miss Kline has been loaned to us on account of the closing of Kolar Hospital and though we much regret their misfortune in having to close their work we certainly have much to be thankful for in her coming to Vikarabad. For some nine years we have insisted that a Hospital in India without a Trained Nurse was not a real Hospital.

We now have additional evidence in that, preceding the arrival of our Trained Nurse, we had but forty in-patients in eight months, while in the four months after her arrival, over four hundred have been cared for in the Hospital, while the number of Dispensary patients has increased as well.

At present the Hospital very much needs additional equipment, nurses, quarters both for Indian and American Nurses, kitchen, store room, Muhammadan and Hindu wards and private rooms, a sewage system and water works as well as a storage battery to make our electric light plant a paying proposition.

In going over a set of questions sent out by the New York Office in order to determine the efficiency of the Hospital, we find that with the best we can do, ours is not more than 33 per cent efficient. Such an efficiency is surely a very poor representation of Christianity at the present day. It does not mean that we should close our Medical work, but that we should speedily go about to make it more efficient, which will mean an investment of no less than two or three thousand dollars a year for the next five years, in addition to salaries of Missionary and Nurse.

During the past year over 12,000 treatments have been given from the Dispensary and Rs. 2,345 received in fees, etc., an amount far below the outlay for drugs and other running expenses."

BELGAUM.—

A survey of the needs for Medical work in Belgaum District has been made and prayerful consideration of these needs has been made. The Committee has assumed the expenses of Dr. Knight in order that the possibilities might be thoroughly looked into before any move was taken.

With but one Government Hospital and only four Dispensaries scattered throughout a District of about 2,000,000 people; the chance of their doing more than looking after the medico-legal aspect of the case is out of the question.

At present there is a rapidly growing Evangelistic and Educational work and in addition there is a large and rapidly increasing Settlement for Criminal Tribes. To enlarge upon all the distress, neglect, insanitary conditions, and physical degradation met with throughout the district and to depict what was found in the way of disease when the medicine chest was opened and the knife was unsheathed, is an impossibility.

The following aims for Medical Work and the means of meeting those aims were framed in the hope that the interest of this Conference could be awakened to the possibilities of a grand work for the Lord.

(1) Enlightenment of the people,—

- (a) In scientific treatment, through the medium of a Travelling Dispensary comprising an efficient travelling laboratory, also sufficient equipment for minor surgery. The same to remain a week in a place.
- (b) By lectures and stereopticon lectures on health topics, the same being conducted at night in conjunction with the Travelling Dispensary.

(2) Relieving those cases which require operation or treatment in a Central Hospital, the same being developed by the Travelling Dispensary and being located at a strategic place.

(3) Criminal Settlement Medical Work,—

- (a) Study of Criminals from a Medical standpoint to determine any mental or physical defect, prior to placing the member of the Criminal Tribe in the Settlement to which he is assigned in order that all remediable defects may be eliminated before he enters the changed environment,

- (b) Educative hygienic instruction is greatly needed among these people.
- (c) All Medical work connected with these people should be under a Medical Missionary.

It is the opinion of all those who have had the opportunity of seeing the results of the testing of this work, that it gives promise of a great future and should be assumed by the Mission at once. Think of 105 cases being treated in a single day and nearly as many more being left unseen.

CHARLES F. LIPP.

14. VERNACULAR LITERATURE

The output of vernacular literature along the usual lines has not been so large as in the previous year, but has been much larger than for other preceding years. The special reason for getting out less during the year under review than the year preceding is found in the fact that a special gift of \$ 800 was received that year and since then no funds have been provided.

Work has been continued on Dr. Buck's "Christianity in Doctrine and Experience", in Kanarese, Tamil, and Telugu, and the work is now well advanced. We now have the Discipline in Kanarese and Telugu and the need for it in Tamil is recognized as urgent. Steps ought to be taken at once to issue it.

The Young Peoples' Hand Book, provided for two years ago, has been greatly delayed. The work of preparation of the manuscript took over a year. That of translation has taken more time than expected. It is now ready in Telugu, but the Tamil translation has been delayed through a misunderstanding and I have just learned that the delay I was attributing to the translator in the case of the Kanarese was not chargeable to him but that the manuscript supplied by him just before the fire was destroyed.

Centenary literature has played a considerable part in the recent work turned out and will play a correspondingly large part in our work throughout our trilingual field for another year at least. There is yet more and much more to follow.

In our literature work we must count ourselves as only at the beginning and must plan large things. The endowment for literature included in the Centenary Askings will provide a large income of which our three languages will get a proportionate share. Then the Interchurch World Movement of North America has been seeking information of conditions and needs along literature as well as other lines and the Questionnaire covering our Methodist Publishing House, Madras, gave an opportunity for getting the institution itself and Christian literature, as well, before those leading in that great movement. The representation made through that Questionnaire is a fairly comprehensive statement along both lines that may mean much in the way of reaching the results we seek.

We have been pleased to note that the conviction has reached the leaders of the great Movements,—The Centenary Campaign and the Interchurch World Movement of North America—that the production of Christian Literature has not had the attention it should have. More than that, the Interchurch Movement looks to securing the distribution as well as the production of Christian Literature. The time seems opportune for us to plan more largely for the cultivation of this important field of Christian

service and your Committee pleads for an aggressive campaign for both the production and distribution of Christian Literature.

J. B. BUTTRICK, *Chairman*.

D. O. ERNSBERGER.

GCV. GERSHOM.

N. DESAI.

S. NOAH.

J. VENKATACHELLAM.

O. DAVID.

W. L. King, *Secretary*.

15. SUNDAY SCHOOLS

There has been an increase of Sunday Schools and scholars. The collections too show an increase. The Bangalore and Vikarabad Sunday Schools are responsible for some of the increase because of the thank-offering collection.

Increase in Sunday Schools is due to the new rule that was introduced last year permitting Sunday Schools to be held on week days also, thus enabling each worker to hold two or more Sunday Schools.

In some Districts advantage has been taken of the Children's paper which is being supplied by the Methodist Publishing House. We would like to see those leaflets given a wider circulation and used in all the Districts.

Close attention has been given to the keeping of record and record-keeping has been taught in the Summer Schools.

There has been increase too in number of teachers. The boarding schools are sending the larger boys and girls to villages to hold Sunday Schools. Some of the students in the Belgaum Boys' School, who are paid teachers of night schools, also hold Sunday Schools regularly.

Several Districts report that greater interest is evinced and that the parents urge the children to attend.

Your Committee recommends—

1. That in each District there shall be appointed a District Secretary of Sunday Schools whose duty it shall be to keep close supervision over Sunday Schools, urging and inspiring the teachers to better work.

The Vikarabad, Belgaum, and Gulbarga Districts have travelling Secretaries, but we would like to see every District include this office.

2. That all Districts be encouraged to take the I. S. S. U. examinations, that as far as possible the village Christians be encouraged to appear for the oral examinations.

That for village Christians a half yearly examination be held on a simplified course of study.

3. That effort be put forth in training advanced Christians to hold Sunday Schools, thus securing as many voluntary workers as is possible.

4. That every Sunday School hold annually a thank-offering service.

5. That our Centenary goal be kept before the teachers.

6. That greater emphasis be put on the teaching of the Home Department that this system be adopted in all the districts in connection with vernacular work.

7. That advantage be taken of the S. S. literature that is now printed in Telugu, Tamil, and Kanarese.

8. That there be a Sunday School Editor associated with the Agent in the Press in connection with editing S. S. leaflets, etc.

ONGOLE DAVID.

16. BUILDING

Only one building plan has been submitted to the Committee for final approval—a small building in the hospital compound at Vikarabad to be used for kitchens and store rooms, the cost of which is not to exceed Rs. 5,000 Halli.

A. B. COATES,
Chairman.

Building Committee Rules

(1) The Building Committee shall have seven members including the District Superintendent and the Missionary concerned.

(2) A rough draft of plans and estimates shall first be submitted to the Committee.

(3) Each member shall in a letter, state in full his objections and suggestions.

(4) With these in mind the person building shall prepare final plans and estimates.

(5) These with all correspondence shall be sent to the Building Committee who shall vote "yes" or "no" to the plans as a whole—this vote to be decisive.

(6) The sheet on which the votes are recorded shall be sent to the Chairman by the person building.

(7) While the building is under construction, the Chairman or some member designated by him, and other than the District Superintendent or the Missionary concerned, shall visit the building and compare the finished building with the plans voted on.

(8) At the next session of the Annual Conference following the completion of the building, the Committee shall report on it as follows:—

(a) Name of the Missionary and the District Superintendent, doing the building.

(a) Estimated cost and final cost.

(c) Were the plans and estimates approved by a clear majority of the Committee?

(d) Were there any serious departures from the plans?

(e) Name of the member who inspected the finished building.

(9) The answer to these five questions shall be published in the Minutes of the respective Conferences, according as the building is W.F.M.S. or Parent Board property.

(10) A copy of the finished plans and estimates shall be kept on file by the Chairman of the Building Committee, such copy to be furnished by the person building.

Woman's Conference Uses Building Committee Rules

To the Secretary of the Annual Conference.

Dear Mr. Kingham.

It is the plan of the Woman's Conference to follow the rules of the Annual Conference that the plans and specifications of every building proposed for erection at a cost to exceed Rs. 1,000, shall be submitted to the Building Committee for its sanction.

HYDERABAD,
December 23rd, 1919.

Yours Truly,
EMMA K. REXROTH,
Asst. Secretary, Woman's Conference.

17. MEMOIRS

I. Rev. Charles Wilton Ross de Souza

Charles Wilton Ross de Souza, after fifty-nine years of earthly life and forty years in the Ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church, passed to his reward, from Hyderabad, Deccan, April 10th, 1919. Deprived of his mother by death at the early age of eight years, he was cared for by an uncle who took an interest in his education, sending him to Doveton College, Calcutta, and laying plans for giving him a Medical Course in Scotland. His uncle's plan was however frustrated by the youth's conversion with its consequent call to the Ministry.

When the call to preach the Gospel came, he offered himself to the Methodist Episcopal Church for the Ministry, with the result that his uncle was alienated and he was left to his own resources.

Brother Ross de Souza's first ministerial work was in Calcutta in association with Bishop J. M. Thoburn then pastor of the Dharamtala Street Church. This was in 1878 when he was about eighteen years of age and a year later he was sent to open up work in Bandikoi in a railway community where, as there was no house available, he alternated between a railway carriage and a railway waiting room for lodging accommodation.

At the age of twenty-one years the subject of this sketch joined the South India Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church. From that time until his death he was engaged in the regular work as Pastor or District Superintendent or High School Principal. His appointments were Meerut, Roorkie, Ajmere District, Richmond Town Church, Bangalore, and Principal of the Baldwin Boys' High School, Chandag Leper Asylum, Secunderabad, Hyderabad, and Vepery, Madras, with the English District.

In 1910 Brother Ross de Souza attended the Wesleyan Mission Conference in Edinburgh and then crossing over to the United States of America, rendered valuable service in connection with the Layman's Missionary Movement.

The above brief resumé will show that his service was varied and we note that his ministry was a very long one for one whose life service closed under the three score mark. From nineteen years of age until fifty-nine he laboured and the forty years were filled with an effective ministry.

Special features of Brother Ross de Souza's Ministry that made for effectiveness were a genial personality, the command of a peculiarly attractive style and the clear and suggestive thought that marked his sermons. As a preacher of the Gospel he stood high whether his sermons were judged from their thought or from their literary character. His clearly analytic mind sifted both thought and language until the one was suggestively comprehensive and the other free from everything that would offend the ear or detract from the beauty of the thought.

By an unblemished character, a walk and conversation in harmony with the Gospel he preached and a loyal devotion to his high calling through full two score years Brother Ross de Souza commanded the respect and love of his brethren in the ministry and as well of those whom he served in the Gospel. The effectiveness of his service was doubtless a matter of surprise to many, because the service was so quietly rendered.

We miss our brother who has gone as we gather in this Conference and our hearts go out in sympathy to our sister who has been sharing with him so faithfully and effectively the work of the pastorate. May the God of all grace comfort, strengthen, sustain her day by day.

The words of the tablet erected in this church to the memory of our departed brother may well be incorporated into this memoir, suggestive and informing as they are—



REV. CHARLES W. ROSS de SOUZA

Born, January 8th, 1860

Died, April 10th, 1919

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IN LOVING MEMORY

OF

Revd. Charles Wilton Ross de Souza

Called to a Higher Service

on April 10th, 1919

Aged 59 years

Pastor of this Church for three and a half years and Superintendent of the English District from January, 1914 to December, 1918.

He was also the Founder and Earnest Supporter of "the Home" for Anglo-Indian Boys, Hyderabad, Deccan.

" Servant of God, well done!
Thy glorious warfare's past,
The battle's fought, the race is won
And thou art crowned at last."

This Tablet was erected by the Members and Friends of the M. E. Church, Chadarghat, December, 1919."

This morning, reviewing the life and considering the character and service of our departed brother, we feel that it is eminently fitting that we should set our seal of approval of life, character, and service by saying with strong emphasis.

" Servant of God, well done !"

W. L. KING,
Chairman.

Mrs. DORCAS NOAH

Mrs. Dorcas Noah was born in Bangalore. Her parents had been converted from Hinduism, and she with five of her sisters and one brother were educated in the Wesleyan Mission Boarding Schools. Here even as a girl, her faithfulness and honesty were so apparent that tasks of responsibility were placed upon her, and her prayerful life and consistent Christian living were an example to all. In 1898 she was married to the Rev. Suhrudiah Noah, and those who have known her during her married life, bear united testimony to her faithfulness as a wife and as a devoted mother, not only to her own children, but to the motherless children that were in her husband's home when she came as a young bride. No daughter could have shown more tender care of a mother's wants than she has always shown to her husband's aged mother who in her great age and feebleness is now inconsolable. Her married life has been spent entirely on the Bangalore District. When stationed at Bowringpet her faithful work among the people was largely instrumental in the conversion of a number of souls who have remained steadfast in the faith. In Kolar, though her time was very full with the home duties, she has for some years had the Bible class for Tamil girls in the Misson School. The study of God's Word was to her a precious privilege. Her thought seemed always to be for others. It is a wonderful testimony that her husband bears, when he says he has never known her to be angry or to quarrel with any one. She was beloved by all. The heartfelt tears and sympathy of large numbers of Hindus evince their genuine respect and love for her wherever she was known. Her death was so sudden and unexpected that it came as a great shock to all. Only a few hours previous she

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had sent her husband out with the grain for distribution among the famine-stricken, telling him she was all right and the people were in need. To him, so grievously bereaved, and to the motherless children, we offer our heartfelt sympathy. Only the Father of all comfort can console at such a time. To us who have known her as a Christian sister, her memory will always be precious, her example one that we may well follow, her devotion to her life duty an inspiration and help to each one of us.

EMMA K. REXROTH.

18. CONFERENCE HISTORIAN

The Conference Historian can report no large amount of historical work accomplished during the past year, but there has been something done. A few items that may be worthy of special mention are—

The filing of a copy of "The Red Book."

Documents relating to the Publishing House, especially those having to do with the disastrous fire that occurred on May 20th.

Clippings from the *Indian Witness* relating to the beginnings of the work in the Vikarabad and Bidar fields.

A volume of the *South India Methodist*, a monthly paper published in the early nineties, was dug out of the debris after the fire in the Publishing House. It came out minus the cover and bearing many traces of the fire, but will give some valuable material for future use.

A file of the "South India Mission Herald"; Jubilee Address, 1906; Proposed Five-year Budget, 1908; Twenty-five year Equipment Scheme; 1907. The story of a Little Printing Press, by A. W. RUDISILL.

The Indo-American Bible Booklet Society by A. W. RUDISILL.

W. L. KING.

Historian.

19. BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

As agents of the Board of Foreign Missions, we rejoice greatly in the spread and depth of Missionary spirit evidenced and developed by the Centenary. The re-enforcements in men and money mean much and the interest in and prayer for us and our work by the Church in America mean even more.

We thank God and we thank our Secretaries and Missionaries at Home, who led the hosts of our beloved church to this signal victory. We also pledge ourselves to a similar spirit of consecration and service for the Centenary's success in India.

The sympathy and counsel of the Secretaries in the New York Office encourage us, and with the payment of our salaries at par by the Treasurer, when the rate of exchange means so great cost, merit and command our sincere gratitude.

K. E. ANDERSON.

20. EPWORTH LEAGUE

I. LEAGUES OF THE ENGLISH DISTRICT.

The English District has two Senior Leagues and two Junior Leagues. The former have 68 and the latter 110 members.

In Madras some of the members lead occasional meetings. Lectures and talks are given by visiting friends. This League has charge of the Pudupet poor and also of the Bible women for domestic servants.

Bangalore has one Epworth League with 50 members and one Junior League with 70 members. The attendance is regular and there is interest shown in the meetings. A regular Monthly Temperance Meeting is held and a Quarterly Social. A voluntary offering is taken up at the weekly meetings to be used to cover the expense of a Christmas Treat for the poor.

II. VERNACULAR LEAGUES.

Madras District has seven Junior Leagues with a total membership of 311, and one Senior League with membership of 111. The senior girls of the City Leagues do regular hospital visiting.

Bangalore has one Senior and two Junior Leagues with a membership of 80 and 123, respectively. During Desserah time the members distributed and sold Scripture Portions.

In Belgaum are two Leagues, one Senior and one Junior, the Senior having 75 members and the Junior 67. Some preaching and colportage is done by the members, and young men's progress meetings are regularly held.

Bidar has a Senior League of 160 members and a Junior League of 98. The Junior League is conducted in Kanarese by Mrs. Camp and the children greatly enjoy their meetings. The Senior League helped in the evangelistic campaign, going to all the nearby villages and sharing in the meetings. This was a great help in making the meetings a success.

Raichur has no Senior League, but its Junior League is flourishing. There is a membership of 52. At each meeting the children respond to the roll call with Scripture verses and bring forward their collection. A social was held in May which was greatly enjoyed by all. The members also prepared an excellent Children's Day programme and are now planning a Christmas programme and also learning the Cantata of Queen Esther.

In Yellandu there is an Epworth League with 47 members and three Junior Leagues with 94 members. The Telugu work in Hyderabad has two Epworth Leagues with 68 members and one Junior League with 182 members. The Epworth League of the Bible Institute has undertaken to do something in the way of social service. They have started a night school for young men in one of the busties near by and they have volunteered to take turns in teaching. So far it has been successful. The Hindustani Circuit also has a League of 13 members. The Circuit Epworth League in the villages has not been a success this year.

Vikarabad has one Senior League of 91 members and two Junior Leagues of 132 members. The special feature of this Senior League is a Student Volunteer Band which preaches in the bazaar every Sunday.

For the coming Campaign we have adopted the following :—

EPWORTH LEAGUE CENTENARY CO-OPERATIVE PLAN :

President : Presiding Officer and Adviser, J. H. Clay ; *Secretaries Executive*, C. F. Lipp ; *Historical*, Miss F. Young ; *Publicity*, Miss Watts.

The Historical and Publicity Secretaries to aid in making permanent records of Centenary Work done by the League and in the publishing of things accomplished by the Leaguers all over the Conference.

Treasurers : Stewardship and Finance.—Miss Montgomery and Miss Robinson. The Treasurers to have the management of all the Stewardship and Financial Campaign of the League during the Centenary campaign. The four Departments of the Epworth League to be adjusted to the needs of the Campaign as follows :

First Department .—Spiritual Work, Spiritual Resources, and Evangelism. Govindaraju Gershom *Vice-President*.—1. Bible Study ; 2. Prayer ; 3. Morning Watch ; 4. Personal and Public Evangelism among all classes.

*Second Department: Missionary, J. J. Kingham, Vice-President:—*1. Minute-men; 2. Life Service; 3. Mission Study;

*Third Department: Social Service: The Home and the Community: Miss. Kline Vice President.—*1. Temperance; 2. Hygiene and Sanitation; 3. Constructive Service.

*Fourth Department: Literary:—*Education and Literature.

J. B. Buttrick, *Vice President:—*1. Bible and Tract Distribution; 2. Editing, Publishing, and Disseminating the best literature in the various vernaculars; 3. Training Institutes.

Students' Institute of Five days

MORNING PROGRAMME.

Morning Watch—One half hour.
Bible study classes—three-quarters hour.
Mission study classes—
Address—one half hour.

AFTERNOON PROGRAMME.

Address—One half hour.
General Recreational programme.

EVENING PROGRAMME.

Life Work and similar talks—out of doors if possible.

Suggested Topics

MORNING PROGRAMME.

How to study the Bible.
Prayer.
Some Young Men and Young Women of the Bible.
The Centenary call to Young People.
Social Service.

AFTERNOON PROGRAMME.

Hobbies
Reading.
Keeping fit.
Nature Study.

EVENING PROGRAMME.

Mission Service.
Christianity and India's Needs.
A Boy's Devotional Life.
A Sing.
Consecration and Dedication Service.

The General Secretary of the Epworth League in co-operation with the Executive Secretary of the Centenary will try to arrange for some of the leaders among young people to render assistance in these Institutes and will try to be present himself whenever and wherever possible, but the onus will be on the local people. Every District or Language Area will have its own Institutes.

GRACE KING, *Secretary.*

21. REORGANIZATION OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

1. In each Conference or Mission Conference there shall be a Finance Committee, the membership of which shall be annually nominated by the Conference to the Board of Foreign Missions for their approval. The membership of the Committee, shall be (a) the Bishop-in-charge, the Treasurer for the Board, the Conference Corresponding Secretary and all District Superintendents, *ex-officio*; (b) elected members sufficient to make a total membership for the Committee, the number of which shall be determined by the Board of Foreign Missions.

2. The Finance Committee shall have two regular sessions yearly:—(a) At the time of the Annual Conference a session shall be held for the distribution of such funds as many be available for the work, and for the transaction of such other business as may legitimately be brought before it. (b) An interim session shall be held for the framing of the annual budget for presentation to the Board of Foreign Missions and for the transaction of such other business as may legitimately be brought before it. Called sessions of the Committee may be convened at the request of the Bishop-in-charge, or on the written request of not less than one-third of its own membership.

3. To facilitate the business of the Finance Committee there shall be standing committees on (1) Self-Support and Grant-in-Aid; (2) Pensions for local Workers; (3) Salary adjustments; (4) Special committees as may be determined from time to time. To the Self-Support and Grant-in-Aid Committee shall be referred for consideration and report the general question of the amounts to be asked from the local Churches and Circuits for the support of their own work, and the recommendations for grants-in-aid to local Churches, Circuits and Institutions from such funds as may be available from the appropriations of the Board of Foreign Missions or other sources. To the Committee on Pensions for Local Workers shall be referred for consideration and report all matters having to do with endowments, collection and disbursements for the support or aid of retired or disabled Mission workers other than Members of Annual Conference. To the Salaries Adjustment Committee shall be referred for consideration and report all requests for the adjustment of salaries on the basis of existing scales of salaries of both local workers and Conference Members.

4. Previous to the session of the Finance Committee at which the appropriations from the Board are redistributed, the Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions shall, in collaboration with the Corresponding Secretary and the Bishop-in-charge, allocate from the appropriations such sums as are necessary under the rules of the Board to satisfy all needs falling under Classes I, II, and IX. The amount remaining after these first charges have been satisfied shall be reported to the Finance Committee as the amount subject to its redistribution with the final approval of the Board.

5. From the sum reported as available for redistribution from the appropriations or from other sources at its disposal, the Finance Committee shall allocate such amounts as may be deemed advisable to the work coming under Classes V, VI, VIII and X. The amount thereafter remaining at its disposal may be referred to the Committee on Self-Support and Grant-in-Aid for consideration and report as to distribution under Classes IV and VII, but the Finance Committee shall have final determination of the amounts and distribution to be allocated to these Classes.

Supplementary to the Conference Finance Committee, and for co-operation with them, there shall be in each Conference provision for District Finance Committees, with a membership to be determined by each Conference for the Districts within its bounds. It shall be the duty of the District Finance Committee to (a) estimate and assign to the various Circuits and Charges the amount to be raised locally for pastoral support and the various benevolent enterprises of the Church; (b) to make effective plans for realizing the same; (c) to furnish the Finance Committee through the District Superintendent a detailed statement of all funds collected and disbursed under Classes IV and VII during the preceding fiscal year; (d) to present to the Finance Committee through the District Superintendent an estimate of the amount needed from local sources, from the redistribution of funds from the Board and from funds from other sources for the continuation of the work as it is, and for the opening of new work; (e) to advise with the District Superintendent as to the use of such sums as may be allocated to the District by the Finance Committee for the continuance of the work as it is, or for opening of new work.

XIII. RESOLUTIONS

1. MISSIONARY EPISCOPACY

Whereas, our work in Southern Asia has enjoyed a very marked and ever increasing measure of success under the administration of the Missionary Episcopacy and

Whereas, the conditions created by many years of large upbuilding of the Church demand therefor a leadership of experience gained on the field;

Be it Resolved, that we should sincerely deprecate any change in the policy of administration under which such large results have been reached, and further

Resolved that we memorialize the Central Conference to memorialize the General Conference to continue the Missionary Episcopacy for at least India and Burma.

2. ENTERTAINMENT

We desire to express our heartfelt appreciation to Brother and Sister Harris, Brother and Sister Booth, Miss Wood, Miss Evans, Miss Morgan, Mrs. Mathie, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Ross deSouza, the Misses Smith, and other Hyderabad friends for their unremitting care, and the provision made by them for our comfort during our stay at Conference.

Whereas, our good Missionaries in Hyderabad, and our dear Indian brethren and especially Miss K. Cornelius, with the kind assistance of our Bible Institute Students and other friends have accommodated and entertained us to our entire satisfaction and comfort in every way,

Resolved that we tender our hearty and affectionate greetings and place on record our appreciation and gratitude, praying that God may bless our brethren and sisters abundantly in their services for Christ and His Kingdom.

O. DAVID.
B. MOSES.
K. G. MITTRA.
HETA SINGH.

3. VISITORS TO CONFERENCE

Resolved, that we are most grateful for the visits to our Conference of the Rev. J. W. Pickett, M.A., Chairman of the Financial Campaign of the Centenary, of the Rev. J. R. Chitambar, M.A., Secretary of the India Epworth League, the Rev. A. A. Parker, D.D., General Secretary of Religious Instruction for India, and the Rev. B. T. Badley, M.A., Executive Secretary of the India Centenary Commission.

We have greatly profited by their illuminating addresses respecting financial objectives, plans and methods of the Centenary and of the Sunday School and League in connection with the Centenary. We thank them for the facts submitted, the suggestions offered, and the stimulus imparted, which, we feel assured, will inure to the great advantage of the Conference in its prosecution of the Campaign within its bounds.

4. OUR MISSIONARIES ON FURLOUGH

For Brothers King, Hollister, and Morgan, and their families as they go after a full term of faithful service, we pray God-speed and a profitable furlough in America. And for Brother Seamands and his family and Brother Washburn coming out for the first time and Brother Kingham and his family returning for another term of service we give our cordial greetings and hearty welcome.

To Brothers Garden, Parker, Ross, and Simmons, and their families at home in America we send our message of Christian love and assurance of our prayers for a prosperous and blessed furlough.

5. BISHOP AND Mrs. J. E. ROBINSON

According to the law of our Church our beloved Bishop having reached the age of retirement after forty-five years ministry in India, will soon lay down the burden of his present office which he has filled so long and so well.

Words can hardly express the deep affection and sincere respect which we feel for him, for his Christian character and kind sympathetic spirit.

This Conference has expressed its commendation of his long and varied career as Pastor, District Superintendent, Delegate to General Conference, Editor of the *Indian Witness* and as Bishop. We wish now again to congratulate him on his success in all these offices of the Church.

Yet, even greater is the beautiful Christian family life which he and Mrs. Robinson have given India. They have set us an example in bringing up their children in the fear and love of God.

All their six children have followed in their steps and dedicated their lives to service in India. There is no greater blessing given on earth than the assurance that is theirs in having their children as fellow-workers and now as their successors in Christ's service.

Bishop and Mrs. Robinson, May the joy of service still be yours according to the measure of your strength, after your official retirement. We trust your home will continue to be in India where you have been so long and within the bounds of our own Conference. The righteous shall still bring forth fruit in old age. May great peace be your portion at the even-tide.

And at the last, which we trust is far in the future, we believe the good word, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord", will be your Saviour's welcome to the everlasting habitations. We pray the Lord to bless you and keep you, make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you, and that He ever lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

K. E. ANDERSON.

XIV. SALARY SCALES FOR INDIAN PROBATIONERS AND MEMBERS OF ANNUAL CONFERENCE

There shall be three classes—Vernacular, Anglo-Vernacular, and English—with three grades in each class. A man's class shall be decided by the Board of Examiners; and his grade shall be decided by the Finance Committee, except that in the English Class the grade shall be determined by the Board of Examiners.

The Finance Committee may, on the recommendation of the Cabinet, change a Member or Probationer of the Vernacular or Anglo-Vernacular Class from one grade to another, according to the quality of his work. The Finance Committee may, on the recommendation of the Cabinet, refuse the salary increment to any Member of the English Class who lacks the ability to perform the work rightly expected of a Member of his class or whose work is unsatisfactory.

No separate allowance will be given to any man for his children. A house will be provided for each married man—the rent, where necessary, to be fixed by the Finance Committee.

Members of Annual Conference admitted on trial prior to 1908 shall be in no way affected by this new scale.

VERNACULAR CLASS

Those who are not qualified for entrance into the Anglo-Vernacular Class.
Probationers

	3rd Grade	2nd Grade	1st Grade
Single men	Rs. 18½	Rs. 18½	Rs. 18½
Married men	„ 20	„ 20	„ 20
Full Members			
Single men	Rs. 19½	Rs. 20	Rs. 21
Married men	„ 20½	„ 21	„ 22
Effective Elders			
Single men	Rs. 20½	Rs. 22	Rs. 23
Married men	„ 21½	„ 23	„ 24
After five years' effective service			
Single men	Rs. 21	Rs. 24	Rs. 25
Married men	„ 22	„ 25	„ 26
After ten years' effective service			
Single men	Rs. 21½	Rs. 25	Rs. 27
Married men	„ 22½	„ 26	„ 28
After fifteen years' effective service			
Single men	Rs. 22	Rs. 26½	Rs. 30
Married men	„ 23	„ 27½	„ 31
After twenty years' effective service			
Single men	Rs. 23	Rs. 27½	Rs. 32
Married men	„ 24	„ 28½	„ 33

ANGLO-VERNACULAR CLASS

All who have passed the Anglo-Vernacular High School Course or have satisfactorily done the work of that course.

Probationers			
	3rd Grade	2nd Grade	1st Grade
Single men	Rs. 20	Rs. 22	Rs. 25
Married men	„ 22	„ 24	„ 27
Full Members			
Single men	Rs. 22	Rs. 24	Rs. 27
Married men	„ 24	„ 26	„ 30
Effective Elders			
Single men	Rs. 24	Rs. 26	Rs. 30
Married men	„ 26	„ 28	„ 32
After five years' effective service			
Single men	Rs. 28	Rs. 31	Rs. 34
Married men	„ 30	„ 33	„ 36
After ten years' effective service			
Single men	Rs. 31	Rs. 35	Rs. 39
Married men	„ 33	„ 37	„ 41
After fifteen years' effective service			
Single men	Rs. 34	Rs. 39	Rs. 43
Married men	„ 36	„ 41	„ 45
After twenty years' effective service			
Single men	Rs. 37	Rs. 42	Rs. 47
Married men	„ 39	„ 44	„ 49

ENGLISH CLASS

It shall consist of three grades as follows:—

3rd grade—those who have satisfactorily completed their studies up to the standard of the F.A.

2nd grade—those who have satisfactorily completed their studies up to the grade of the B.A.

1st grade—those who have passed the B.A. examination and have had considerable training beyond that grade, or those who have received a graduate diploma from a recognized College or University in America or England after satisfactorily completing in India their studies up to the grade of the Matriculation Examination.

Probationers			
	3rd Grade	2nd Grade	1st Grade
Single men	Rs. 28	Rs. 39	Rs. 61
Married men	„ 39	„ 50	„ 77
Full Members			
Single men	Rs. 30	Rs. 42	Rs. 66
Married men	„ 41	„ 53	„ 82

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Effective Elders			
	3rd Grade	2nd Grade	1st Grade
Single men	Rs. 34	Rs. 45	Rs. 71
Married men	„ 45	„ 56	„ 88
After five years' effective service			
Single men	Rs. 39	Rs. 53	Rs. 82
Married men	„ 49	„ 64	„ 99
After ten years' effective service			
Single men	Rs. 43	Rs. 60	Rs. 93
Married men	„ 54	„ 71	„ 110
After fifteen years' effective service			
Single men	Rs. 47	Rs. 68	Rs. 104
Married men	„ 58	„ 79	„ 121
After twenty years' effective service			
Single men	Rs. 52	Rs. 77	Rs. 115
Married men	„ 63	„ 88	„ 132

XV. A PENSION SCHEME FOR LOCAL PREACHERS

I. RETIREMENT OF LOCAL PREACHERS—

1. The Finance Committee of the South India Conference shall be the sole authority to decide when a Local Preacher ought to be superannuated. In general, it is not expected that the retiring age shall be under fifty-seven years. The Finance Committee may act on their own initiative, or on the recommendation of the Conference Member in charge, or on the petition of the Local Preachers concerned.

II. THE AMOUNT OF PENSION AND THE METHOD OF CALCULATION—

The pension of a Local Preacher retired by the Finance Committee shall be per month, one-fiftieth of his average salary during the five years immediately preceding his retirement multiplied by the number of years that he has been in the Local Preacher relation, provided that :—

1. In no case shall the amount of pension exceed twelve rupees per month, except where a children's allowance is permitted as hereinafter mentioned.

2. If the retired Local Preacher shall not have paid his provident fund payments in full for all the years since his becoming a Local Preacher or since the institution of the Indian Helpers' Provident Fund in 1906, the multiplier shall be the number of such years for which he shall have made his proper payments in full as a Local Preacher. In case he shall not have done this, he shall have the privilege of paying up the arrears of yearly payments and the compound interest thereon.

3. The Treasurer shall not calculate any Local Preacher's salary on a higher basis than he ought to be on according to the salary scale of his District—a copy of which shall be in the hands of the Treasurer. Each District shall draw up a salary scale and have it approved according to the Finance Committee ruling of 1916.

4. Extras—such as house-rents, travelling allowances, etc.—shall not enter into the basis of salary calculations.

5. A retired Local Preacher or the family of a deceased Local Preacher shall have no claim to free house-rent or to allowances other than those herein mentioned.

III. WIDOWS' PENSIONS—

A Local Preacher's widow shall receive three-fifths of the pension her husband was receiving or would have been receiving had he been superannuated on the date of his death, except that :

1. If her husband was over forty-seven years of age when she married him her pension shall be as many tenths of the three-fifths maximum as the number of years he may have lived—up to ten—after his forty-seventh birthday.

2. If a widow is more than fifteen but less than twenty years younger than her husband, her pension shall be only one-half of what it would be by either of the foregoing methods of calculation. If she is more than twenty years younger than her husband, she shall not be eligible for any pension.

3. If a woman marries a pensioner, she shall not be entitled to a pension at his death, unless she was in receipt of a pension before she married him. In such case she shall again receive her former pension.

4. A widow's pension shall immediately cease at her re-marriage. If her second husband is a Local Preacher still in the active work, she shall, if he dies, be entitled only to the larger of the two pensions.

5. If a widow takes up remunerative employment, her monthly pension shall be subject to a reduction not to exceed one-third of such remuneration, such reduction to be governed by the following :—

(a) This one-third reduction is only to be applied when her pension exceeds one rupee per month and must cease after the one rupee limit is reached. It must operate in such a way as not to reduce her combined salary and pension, exclusive of children's payments, below five rupees per month.

IV. CHILDREN'S ALLOWANCES—

1. Each child under sixteen years of age of a deceased Local Preacher shall be given a pension of one-fifth of the monthly sum the father was receiving as a pensioner or would have been receiving had he been pensioned at the date of his death.

2. Each child under sixteen of a pensioned Local Preacher shall receive an allowance equal to one-tenth of the pension which the father is receiving.

3. Children over six years of age must, to receive such pensions, be students in one of our schools, unless excused by the Annual Conference; and, when they are attending one of our boarding schools, the payments shall be made by the Treasurer to the Principal.

4. Children born after the father has become a pensioner and whose mother is more than twenty years younger than her husband shall receive no pension.

5. Children whose mother is less than twenty years younger than her husband and who are born more than five years after their father is pensioned shall receive no pension. If born before the five-year limit, they shall receive pension.

V. WORKERS FROM OTHER MISSIONS—

1. In the case of workers taken over from other missions at times of property transfers and whose status was equal to that of a Local Preacher, the Finance Committee shall decide how many years of service in those missions shall be counted for pension purposes. For the number thus decided on provident fund payments shall be considered as being in arrears at compound interest at a monthly rate of payment to be fixed by the Finance Committee. Pension payments will then be calculated on the basis laid down in Section 2 of Article II.

2. If advisable, the Finance Committee may follow the same procedure in the ordinary case of workers coming to us from other missions, if their status was equivalent to that of a Local Preacher.

VI. CONTINUING IN THE ACTIVE WORK AFTER FIFTY-SEVEN—

1. If it is deemed advisable for a Local Preacher to continue in the active work after he becomes fifty-seven years of age, the extra years he may work shall be counted as increasing for pension purposes this length of service except where his pension is already a maximum. No reduction of salary after fifty-seven years of age shall be considered in estimating his rate of pension. This applies only to men who have passed fifty-seven.

2. After a Local Preacher has been pensioned, his combined salary and pension shall not exceed three-fourths of his former salary. If this three-fourths limit is exceeded the Treasurer shall have authority to diminish the pension by the excess so long as the excess continues.

3. The case of a pensioner taking up employment in another mission shall be similarly treated, and he must furnish the Treasurer with correct data regarding his salary in the other mission. His pension payments will be suspended until he furnishes these data.

VII SOURCES OF THE FUNDS—

1. From the 1st January, 1919, all Local Preachers must pay into the Indian Helpers' Provident Fund one anna on every rupee of salary.

2. One-third of the annual collections for Mission Claimants shall be paid into the Local Preachers' Pension Fund.

3. One-third of the present excess of assets over liabilities in the Indian Helpers' Provident Fund shall be paid into the Local Preachers' Pension Fund.

4. A Committee of two non-Indians and one Indian shall be appointed, each member to hold office, if practicable, for not less than three years. The Treasurer of the Local Preachers' Pension Fund shall be a member of the Committee, and its Chairman. This Committee shall immediately begin efforts to raise Rs. 30,000 before the end of 1938.

5. In the meantime the Finance Committee is to begin paying into the fund Rs. 1,000 per year and continue until the total of the Finance Committee payments and the sums raised by this Committee of three shall be Rs. 30,000.

6. Pension payments shall not begin until January 1, 1921, and the two years intervening shall not be considered as entitling any one to pension arrears. The heirs of those dying in the two-year interval may begin drawing their pensions after the 1st January, 1921.

7. The Treasurer shall add interest annually to all funds on the Indian Helpers' Provident Fund and to all money assets in the Pensioners' Books, hereinafter mentioned, at a rate less by one-fourth of 1 per cent. than the rate which he is able to get by loaning the funds to the Finance Committee of the South India Conference or to others authorized by the above-mentioned Finance Committee.

VIII. BOOKS TO BE KEPT—

1. The Exhorters' and Local Preachers' Funds shall be kept together as at present in the Indian Helpers' Provident Fund, but the accounts of the Local Preachers shall be plainly differentiated in the books and also by those sending Provident Fund money to the Treasurer.

2. An Additional set of cash-book and ledger shall be kept for the pensioners' accounts and assets, and shall be called the Pensioners' Books. As soon as a Local Preacher dies or is pensioned all his monies with interest shall be transferred from the Indian Helpers' Provident Fund Books to the Pensioners' Books.

3. The Treasurer shall make all payments, and, if possible, direct to the pensioner.

IX. PENSIONERS' UNEXPENDED FUNDS—

1. No interest will be added to a Local Preacher's money after its transfer to the Pensioners' Books.

2. After the total expenditure in pensions to a Local Preacher and his family becomes equal to his total amount originally transferred to the Pensioners' Books according to section 2 of article VIII, neither the Local Preacher nor his heirs shall have any claim for payments of any kind except such pensions as are above-mentioned.

3. When the Local Preacher or his heirs cease to be eligible for a pension, if his money originally transferred to the Pensioners' Books according to section 2 of article VIII, exceeds the total amount of all pension payments to him and his heirs, then this excess shall be paid over to his heirs.

4. So long as the pensioner or any of his heirs eligible to a pension are alive all the monies still to the credit of the pensioner, or his heirs, shall be kept entirely under the control of the Finance Committee of the South India Conference and neither the pensioner nor any one else shall have authority to demand such credit balance or to order or will it to any one whomsoever.

5. If a Local Preacher leaves or is dismissed from the work of the Methodist Episcopal Church before he becomes a pensioner, all his deposits with whatever interest they may have accumulated at the rate mentioned in section 7 of article VII, shall be turned over to him, but only after the expiration of twelve full months. Such a one shall not be entitled to any pension.

6. If a pensioner becomes actively hostile to Christianity or if he becomes actively antagonistic to our efforts to establish the Methodist Episcopal Church in India, the Annual Conference shall have authority to order the suspension or the entire cessation of his and his family's pensions in harmony with section 3 of this article.

X. FINANCIAL FAILURE OF THIS PENSION PLAN—

1. The Annual Conference reserves to itself the right to abrogate this whole plan at any time that the money can not be raised for carrying it on.

2. In such event the method to be followed shall be to continue the pensions of all pensioners whose monies originally transferred to the Pensioners' Books remain unexpended and to continue the pensions until the amounts so transferred have become fully expended. The Finance Committee will refuse to transfer any more Local Preachers' Accounts to the Pensioners' Books or to begin any new pensions.

XVI. BISHOPS

No.	Name	Residence and Address
1	John H. Vincent ..	5700 Washington Ave., Chicago, Ill., U.S.A.
2	Earl Cranston ..	"The Ontario", Washington, D.C., U.S.A.
3	John W. Hamilton..	American University, Washington, D.C., U.S.A.
4	Joseph F. Berry ..	1701 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa., U.S.A.
5	W. F. McDowell ..	Washington, D.C., U.S.A.
6	J. W. Bashford ..	Methodist Episcopal Mission, Peking, China. *
7	William Burt ..	455 Franklin St., Buffalo, New York, U.S.A.
8	Luther B. Wilson ..	150 Fifth Avenue, New York, U.S.A.
9	Thomas B. Neely ..	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, U.S.A.
10	W. F. Anderson ..	420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, U.S.A.
11	John L. Nuelson ..	Zurich, Switzerland.
12	W. A. Quayle ..	Saint Louis, Missouri, U.S.A.
13	Wilson S. Lewis ..	Foochow, China.
14	Edwin H. Hughes ..	235 Summer Street, Malden, Mass., U.S.A.
15	Frank M. Bristol ..	Chattanooga, Tennessee, U.S.A.
16	Homer C. Stuntz ..	Omaha, Nebraska, U.S.A.
17	T. S. Henderson ..	Detroit, Michigan, U.S.A.
18	W. O. Shepherd ..	Wichita, Kansas, U.S.A.
19	F. J. McConnell ..	Denver, Colorado, U.S.A.
20	F. D. Leete ..	Atlanta, Georgia, U.S.A.
21	R. J. Cooke ..	Helena, Montana, U.S.A.
22	W. P. Thirkield ..	New Orleans, Louisiana, U.S.A.
23	Herbert Welch ..	Seoul, Korea.
24	Thomas Nicholson ..	58 East Washington St., Chicago, Ill., U.S.A.
25	Adna Wright Leonard.	435 Buchanan St., San Francisco, California, U.S.A.
26	Matthew S. Hughes..	Portland, Oregon.
27	William F. Oldham..	Buenos Ayres, Argentina, South America.
28	Charles B. Mitchell..	Saint Paul, Minnesota, U.S.A.
29	Franklin Hamilton ..	Pittsburgh, Pa., U.S.A.*

XVII. MISSIONARY BISHOPS

1	James M. Thoburn ..	Meadville, Pa., U.S.A.
2	Joseph C. Hartzell..	420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, U.S.A.
3	Frank W. Warne ..	Lucknow, India.
4	Isaiah B. Scott ..	125 Fourteenth Ave., Nashville, Tenn, U.S.A.
5	John E. Robinson ..	Bangalore, India.
6	Merriman C. Harris..	Tokyo, Japan.
7	John W. Robinson ..	Bombay, India.
8	Alexander P. Camphor.	Monrovia, Liberia. *
9	Eben S. Johnson ..	Old Umtali, Rhodesia, South Africa.

* Deceased.

XVIII. MEMBERS OF CONFERENCE

No.	Name	Admitted on trial	Relation	Post Office
1	Abraham, A. S. ...	1914	Elder ...	Hyderabad, Deccan.
2	Anderson, K. E. ...	1895	Elder ...	Bangalore.
3	Abednego Barnabas	1918	Deacon ...	Belgaum
4	Buttrick, J. B. ...	1882	Elder ...	Gulbarga.
5	Camp, C. L. ...	1914	Elder ...	Bidar, Deccan.
6	Coates, A. B. ...	1907	Elder ...	Belgaum.
7	Cook, A. E. ...	1891	Elder ...	Bail Hongal.
8	Desai, Nanappa ...	1893	Elder ...	Shorapur <i>via</i> Yadgiri.
9	Ongole David ...	1918	Deacon ...	Vikarabad, Deccan.
10	Ernsberger, D. O. ...	1882	Elder ...	Raichur.
11	Garden, J. H. ...	1883	Elder ...	On leave.
12	Gershom, Govindaraju	1893	Elder ...	Vepery, Madras.
13	Gray, Walter G. ...	1914	Elder ...	Vepery, Madras.
14	Guest, Edmund J..	1917	Elder ...	Bangalore.
15	Harris, John D. ...	1912	Elder ...	Hyderabad, Deccan.
16	Hilmer, H. F. ...	1906	Elder ...	Kolar Town.
17	Hollister, W. H. ...	1884	Elder ...	On leave in America.
18	Jacob, Jotappa ...	1914	Elder ...	Janwada, Bidar, Deccan.
19	King, W. L. ...	1883	Elder ...	Nungumbaukum, Madras.
20	Karodi, Jonathan ...	1903	Elder ...	Gulbarga, Deccan.
21	Kingham, J. J. ...	1905	Elder ...	Tuticorin.
22	Lewis, Malappa ...	1892	Elder ...	Kolar Town.
23	Linn, H. H. ...	1910	Elder ...	Vikarabad, Deccan.
24	Lipp, C. F. ...	1907	Elder ...	Gokak Falls.
25	Luke, Manipalli ...	1913	Elder ...	Singareni Collieries, Deccan.
26	Morgan, W. L. ...	1913	Elder ...	On leave in America.
27	Mittra, K. G. ...	1912	Elder ...	Yadgiri, Deccan.
28	Noah, Surudiah ...	1892	Elder ...	Bangalore.
29	Parker, C. E. ...	1901	Elder ...	On leave in U.S.A.
30	Prakash, V. G. ...	1912	Elder ...	Shahpur <i>via</i> Yadgiri.
31	Ross, M. D. ...	1912	Elder ...	On leave in U.S.A.
32	Samson, Noah E. ...	1914	Elder ...	Hominabad, Deccan.
33	Scharer, C. W. ...	1904	Elder ...	Belgaum.
34	Seamands, E. A. ..	1919	Deacon ...	Kolar Town.
35	Simmons, J. W. ...	...	Elder ...	On leave in America.
36	Singh, Heta ...	1911	Elder ...	Rutnapur, P. O., Bidar.
37	Tindale, Matthew...	1887	Retired ...	Bangalore.

XIX. CONFERENCE ORGANIZED

SOUTH INDIA CONFERENCE WAS ORGANIZED THE
9TH NOVEMBER, 1876.

XX. DELEGATES TO GENERAL CONFERENCE

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| 1. J. M. Thoburn, 1880. | 6. W. L. King, 1900. |
| 2. D. Osborne, 1884. | 7. J. B. Buttrick, 1904. |
| 3. J. E. Robinson, 1888. | 8. D. O. Ernsberger, 1908. |
| 4. J. E. Robinson, 1892. | 9. A. H. Baker, 1912. |
| 5. A. H. Baker, 1896. | 10. D. O. Ernsberger, 1916. |
| 11. C. E. Parker, 1920. | |

XXI. SESSIONS OF THE CONFERENCE

No.	Date	Place	President	Secretary
1	Nov. 9, 1876	Bombay	Bishop Edward G. Andrews	C. P. Hard
2	Nov. 15, 1877	Calcutta	J. M. Thoburn	C. P. Hard
3	Dec. 5, 1878	Madras	Bishop Thomas Bowman	W. J. Gladwin
4	Jan. 8, 1880	Allahabad	George Bowen	W. J. Gladwin
5	Dec. 15, 1880	Bombay	Bishop S. M. Merrill	W. J. Gladwin
6	Nov. 3, 1881	Bangalore	George Bowen	J. A. Northrup
7	Dec. 21, 1882	Calcutta	Bishop R. S. Foster	J. A. Northrup
8	Nov. 22, 1883	Allahabad	J. M. Thoburn	J. A. Northrup
9	Nov. 20, 1884	Hyderabad, D.	Bishop J. F. Hurst	J. A. Northrup
10	Jan. 28, 1886	Bombay	J. M. Thoburn	W. E. Robbins
11	Feb. 3, 1887	Madras	Bishop W. X. Ninde	W. E. Robbins
12	Jan. 26, 1888	Poona	George Bowen	H. C. Stuntz
13	Jan. 31, 1889	Bombay	Bishop J. M. Thoburn	H. C. Stuntz
14	Jan. 30, 1890	Hyderabad, D.	Bishop J. M. Thoburn	Geo. K. Gilder
15	Jan. 29, 1891	Bangalore	Bishop J. M. Thoburn	W. L. King
16	Dec. 17, 1891	Poona	Bishop J. M. Thoburn	W. L. King
17	Dec. 22, 1892	Bombay	Bishop J. M. Thoburn	W. L. King
18	Dec. 21, 1893	Madras	Bishop J. M. Thoburn	W. L. King
19	Jan. 19, 1895	Bangalore	Bishop J. M. Thoburn	W. L. King
20	Dec. 11, 1895	Hyderabad, D.	Bishop J. M. Thoburn	W. L. King
21	Dec. 17, 1896	Madras	Bishop J. M. Thoburn	J. B. Buttrick
22	Dec. 9, 1897	Bangalore	Bishop Cyrus D. Foss	J. B. Buttrick
23	Dec. 15, 1898	Hyderabad, D.	Bishop J. M. Thoburn	W. H. Hollister
24	Dec. 28, 1899	Madras	Bishop J. M. Thoburn	W. H. Hollister
25	Dec. 13, 1900	Bangalore	Bishop F. W. Warne	W. H. Hollister
26	Dec. 12, 1901	Hyderabad, D.	Bishop F. W. Warne	F. E. N. Shaw
27	Dec. 27, 1902	Kolar	Bishop F. W. Warne	F. E. N. Shaw
28	Jan. 27, 1904	Bangalore	Bishops H. W. Warren and J. M. Thoburn.	R. C. Grose
29	Dec. 31, 1904	Kolar	Bishop W. F. Oldham	R. C. Grose
30	Dec. 6, 1905	Belgaum	Bishop W. F. Oldham	R. C. Grose
31	Dec. 12, 1906	Hyderabad, D.	Bishops J. M. Thoburn, J. N. Fitzgerald and W. F. Oldham.	A. H. Baker
32	Dec. 12, 1907	Madras	Bishop F. W. Warne	A. H. Baker
33	Jan. 6, 1909	Bangalore	Bishop J. E. Robinson	A. H. Baker
34	Jan. 27, 1910	Vikarabad	Bishop F. W. Warne	A. H. Baker
35	Dec. 8, 1910	Kolar	Bishops W. F. McDowell and J. E. Robinson.	A. H. Baker
36	Dec. 13, 1911	Belgaum	Bishop J. E. Robinson	J. J. Kingham
37	Dec. 5, 1912	Madras	Bishop J. E. Robinson	J. J. Kingham
38	Dec. 11, 1913	Hyderabad, D.	Bishop J. E. Robinson	J. J. Kingham
39	Dec. 10, 1914	Vikarabad, D.	Bishop J. E. Robinson	H. F. Hilmer
40	Dec. 16, 1915	Bangalore	Bishop J. E. Robinson	K. E. Anderson
41	Dec. 14, 1916	Madras	Bishop F. W. Warne	H. F. Hilmer
42	Dec. 7, 1917	Kolar Town	Bishops William Burt and J. E. Robinson.	J. D. Harris
43	Nov. 28, 1918	Belgaum	Bishop J. W. Robinson	J. D. Harris
44	Dec. 17, 1919	Hyderabad	Bishop J. E. Robinson	J. J. Kingham

XXII. DECEASED MEMBERS

Name	Born	Joined S. I. Conf.	Date of Death	Place of Death
Hiram Torbet ..	U.S. America ..	1878	Mar. 12, 1878	Bombay.
Wm. Isaacson ..	India ..	1872	Dec. 10, 1880	Allahabad.
F. A. Goodwin ..	Biddeford, Maine ..	1874	Aug. 16, 1881	Biddeford, Maine, U.S.A.
W.F.C.M. Smith	India ..	1882	Feb. 20, 1883	Agra.
Wm. E. Newlon	U.S. America ..	1875	1884	U. S. America.
F. D. Davis ..	Gallipolis, O., U.S.A.	1875	Oct. 22, 1884	Gallipolis, O., U. S. A.
Barton T. Eddy	U.S. America ..	1883	Jan. 12, 1886	Bangalore.
George Bowen ..	Vermont, U.S.A. ..	Com.	Feb. 5, 1888	Bombay.
W.F.G. Curties	Kampti, C.P., India	1874	Aug. 19, 1897	Madras.
Benjamin Peters	Madras ..	1876	May 10, 1898	Madras.
T. R. Toussaint..	Jaffna, Ceylon ..	1893	Jan. 25, 1899	Madras.
John Narappa ..	Gurujal ..	1892	Mar. 6, 1902	Bangalore
Ellis Roberts ..	Wales ..	1895	April 17, 1909	Wales.
L. H. Rockey ..	Bijnor, India ..	1906	June 19, 1911	Madison, N. J., U.S.A.
Samuel Maigur..	Maigur, India ..	1892	Dec. 12, 1912	Bellary.
S. M. Job ..	Bowringpet, India ..	1892	Oct. 13, 1913	Bangalore.
A. E. Ogg ..	Sacramento, U.S.A...	1907	1917	Chicago, U.S.A.
C. W. Ross de- Souza ..	Allahabad ..	1881	April 10, 1919	Hyderabad.

XXIII. ROLL OF LOCAL PREACHERS

Name	Relation	Post Office
Bangalore District		
Abijah, M. ...	Licentiate ...	Betmangal.
Cook, Wm. ...	Do. ...	Vanrasi.
Daniel, S. ...	Do. ...	Bangalore.
Devadoss, C. ...	Do. ...	Kolar.
David, D. ...	Do. ...	Kolar.
Ebenezer, J. ...	Do. ...	Mulbagal.
Henry, D. ...	Do. ...	Kolar.
Hosea, K. ...	Do. ...	Mulbagal.
Josiah, C. ...	Do. ...	Bethany.
Kasim, E. ...	Do. ...	Kolar.
Leonard, P. ...	Do. ...	Kuppam.
Luther, Martin ...	Do. ...	Vemgal.
Lowe, James B. ...	Do. ...	Mulbagal.
Mark, Y. John ...	Do. ...	Betmangal.
Naboth, V. ...	Do. ...	Rollinspur.
Simeon, D. ...	Do. ...	Bangalore.
Stephen, B. ...	Do. ...	Elim.
Stephen, K. ...	Do. ...	Bowringpet.
Sundra, N. G. ...	Do. ...	Bowringpet.
Belgaum District		
Aralikatti, S. L. ...	Local Elder...	Belgaum.
Aralikatti, Simon ...	Licentiate ...	Yeragatti.
Amaravati, P. J. ...	Do. ...	Moodalgi.
Chinnaiah, Joel ...	Do. ...	Bagewadi.
Kanakikoppa, Samuel.	Local Elder...	Naganur (Gokak Taluka).
Khanapur Samuel ...	Licentiate ...	Kowjalgi (Gokak Taluka).
Moses, R. N. ...	Local Elder...	Belgaum.
Moses, Nehemiah ...	Licentiate ...	Belgaum.
Jacob, Sonna ...	Do. ...	Nesargi.
John, P. ...	Do. ...	Mugutkhan Hubli.
Joseph, Kuri ...	Do. ...	Hirekoppa.
Tatpati, J. S. ...	Do. ...	Belgaum.
Tatpati, P. S. ...	Do. ...	Hukeri.
Tatpati, S. S. ...	Do. ...	Shahapur.
Dhalabaagi, D. ..	Do. ..	Sampgaum.
Bidar District		
Ashervardan, A. ...	Licentiate ...	Bidar, Deccan.
Barlappa, C. ...	Do. ...	Do.
Rajah, B. N. ...	Do. ...	Do.
Timothy, M. ...	Local Elder ...	Nailkail, Deccan.
Krishniah P. ..	Do. ..	Janwada, Deccan.

Name	Relation	Post Office
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English District

Booth, A. S. ...	Local Deacon...	Hyderabad, Deccan.
Bishop, T. ..	Licentiate ...	Bangalore.
Cant, H. D. ...	Do. ...	Wellington
Clay, H. M. ...	Local Deacon..	Madras.
Clay, J. H. ...	Licentiate ...	Madras.
Cuffley, F. W. ...	Do. ...	Vepery, Madras.
Fonceca, E. S. ...	Do. ...	Vepery, Madras.
Hawkins, J. N. ...	Local Elder ...	Bangalore.
Kent, H. D. ...	Licentiate ...	Bangalore.
King, T. H. C....	Local Deacon..	Madras.
King, S. Harcourt ...	Do. ...	Hindupur.
Opper, B. R. ...	Do. ...	Hindupur.
Parker, J. ...	Local Elder ...	Belgaum.
Rogè, G. S. ...	Do. ...	Vepery, Madras.
Simpson, O. ...	Licentiate ...	Madras.
Stephens, J. H. ...	Do. ...	Bangalore.

Gulbarga District

Rajarithnam, V. ...	Licentiate ...	Yelleri, <i>via</i> Yadagiri.
Rudrappa, K. ...	Local Deacon.	Yadagiri.
Jessie, V. ...	Licentiate ...	Shahpur.
Siddappa Desai ...	Do. ...	Beerunur, Shorapur.

Hyderabad District

Anantharao, K. ...	Licentiate ...	Yellandu, Deccan.
Devanandam, M. ...	Do. ...	Hyderabad, Deccan.
John, V. ...	Do. ...	Hyderabad, Deccan.
Lyman, A. ...	Do. ...	Hyderabad, Deccan.
Surrey, E. ...	Local Elder ...	Hyderabad, Deccan.
Venkatachellam, J. ...	Local Deacon.	Hyderabad, Deccan.
Lyman, B. Josiah ...	Do. ...	Yellandu, Deccan.
John, T. P. ...	Licentiate ...	Yellandu, Deccan.
Peter, T. A. ...	Do. ...	Yellandu, Deccan.

Madras District

Daniel, M. D. ...	Local Preacher	Mount Road, Madras.
Devadoss, R. D. ...	Do. ...	Tuticorin.
Matthew, S. C. ...	Do. ...	Kodambakam.
Rajappan, Ed. ...	Local Deacon..	Tuticorin.
Roy. A. James ...	Local Preacher	Eppothum Vendran.
Satthianathan, C. ...	Do. ...	Vepery, Madras.
Swamidoss, S. ...	Do. ...	Tuticorin.
Vedanayagam, D. ...	Local Deacon..	Kadalgudi.
Yesudasen, R. ...	Local Preacher	Royapuram, Madras.

Name	Relation	Post Office
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Raichur District

Aiman, F. E.	...	Local Deacon..	Raichur
Rudrappa, L. P.	...	Licentiate ...	Matmari.

Vikarabad District

Chinnappa, S.	...	Local Elder ...	Vikarabad, Deccan.
Devapream, T.	...	Licentiate ...	Aloor, Deccan.
Ezra, B.	...	Do. ...	Pergi, <i>via</i> Vikarabad, Deccan.
Frazer, N. W.	...	Do. ...	Damrigidda, Deccan.
Herbert, H. S.	...	Do. ...	Dharur, Deccan.
Isaac, D.	...	Do. ...	Vikarabad, Deccan.
John, V. S.	...	Do. ...	Vikarabad, Deccan.
Joshua, P. D.	...	Do. ...	Daulatabad, Deccan.
Jonathan, L. B.	...	Do. ...	Kohir, Deccan.
Lymon, B.J.	...	Do. ...	Kohere, Deccan.
Matthew, K.	...	Do. ...	Shankrapally, Deccan.
Newton, T. J.	...	Do. ...	Vikarabad, Deccan.
Paul, G.	...	Local Deacon	Kosgi, Deccan.
Paul, M.	...	Local Elder ...	Gurimetikal, Deccan.
Pyaralal, C.	...	Licentiate ...	Pergi, Deccan.
Samuel, M.	...	Do. ...	Kordangal, Deccan.
Simon, Y.	...	Do. ...	Aloor, Deccan.
Timothy, P.	...	Do. ...	Damargidda <i>via</i> Gurimetikal, Dec.
Thomas, A.	...	Do. ...	Madholy <i>via</i> Nawangi, Decoan.

XXIV. CONFERENCE COURSES OF STUDY

1. Conference Course of Study Regulations

1. The Manual of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church provides : " Failure to acquire the language will be deemed a sufficient reason for the recall of a Missionary at the end of two years, and unless such Missionary can be given work in his native language, the Bishops in charge of Foreign Missions are requested to recommend to the Board of Managers the return to this country of those who fail."

2. All examinations shall be arranged by the Conference Board of Examiners. Advancement in Conference classes shall be conditioned on the candidate passing a satisfactory examination in the combined Vernacular and English course as given below. The entire course should be completed within four years. If it is completed in less time, due credit shall be given the examinee, but advancement in Conference classes shall not be affected thereby.

3. While the course is designed to cover four years, the Vernacular part can only be taken in two examinations.* When the year for the Vernacular examination does not synchronize with the right to advancement in Conference classes provided by the Discipline, candidates may be advanced in their classes on passing in the English studies of the course and convincing the Board of Examiners that adequate preparation on the Vernacular studies naturally falling to that year has been made. However, no candidate, save such as have been received by transfer and for whom provision is made below, shall be received into full membership in the Conference who has not passed in all the subjects of the Lower Standard, nor shall any be advanced to the class of Effective Elders who has not completed the entire course.

4. Members received by transfer after having passed a part or all of the course as provided in the Discipline, shall not be excused from taking all the Vernacular studies as prescribed. However, members transferred to this Conference in the second or some subsequent year of the course, shall not be denied the right of regular promotion in the Conference classes, provided they pass in the English studies of the year to which they belong and satisfy the Board of Examiners that they have made adequate preparation in the Vernacular subjects for the year next following the last Vernacular examination taken. For example, a candidate who transfers to the Conference in the studies of the second year may be advanced in his classes and admitted to the Conference in full connection on his passing the required English studies selected from the second year subjects, and satisfying the Board of Examiners he has made adequate preparation on one year's portion of the Vernacular studies of the Lower Standard.

The following are the books I would suggest that we select from the usual Disciplinary course and incorporate in the combined course. I have put in as to be read a larger number from each year than I had originally intended, but the books suggested for this purpose are important ones and each Missionary should be acquainted with them. At the same time simply requiring reading does not impose any heavy burden.

* This applies to Bombay Conference more particularly, the interdenominational course of study being in use there.

Admission on Trial: Full course as in Discipline.

From Studies of the First year :

Preparation and delivery of Sermons : Digest of Methodist Law.

Read : Christian View of the Old Testament ; Wesley's Sermons, Vol. I ; Jesus and the Gospels ; Extemporaneous Oratory.

From Studies of the Second year :

Biblical Hermeneutics ; The Bible, its Origin and Nature.

Read : History of Methodism, Vol. I ; The Resurrection of Jesus ; St. Paul, the Traveller and Roman Citizen.

From Studies of the Third year :

System Christian Doctrine, to pp. 322 ; History of the Christian Church.

Read : The Indwelling Spirit ; History of Methodism, Vol. II ; The Fact of Conversion ; Governing Conference in Methodism.

From Studies of Fourth year :

System of Christian Doctrine, pp. 325—635 ; Theism.

Read : Prophecy and the Prophets ; Place of Christ in Modern Theology ; History of Methodism, Vol. III ; Lectures on Preaching ; Pastoral and Personal Evangelism.

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Presiding Bishop.

2. Travelling Preachers

ADMISSION ON TRIAL

1. English Branches :

- (1) Elementary English.
- (2) Principles of Rhetoric.—*Hill*.
- (3) General History.—*Myers*.

2. The Worker and His Bible.—*Eiselen and Barclay*.
3. History and Exposition of the Twenty-five Articles of Religion of the Methodist Episcopal Church.—*Wheeler*.
4. Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church for 1916.
5. Life of John Wesley.—*Winchester*.
6. Organizing and Building the Sunday School.—*Hurlbut*.
7. Written Sermon.

To be read :

1. The Heart of John Wesley's Journal.
2. The Tongue of Fire.—*Arthur*.
3. The Learning Process.—*Colvin*.
4. Everyday Evangelism.—*Leete*, or letters on Evangelism.—*Hughes*.
5. Plain Account of Christian Perfection.—*Wesley*.
6. The Pastor-Preacher.—*Quayle*.

Abridged English Course for those studying a Vernacular

First Year

MID-YEAR EXAMINATION

END-OF-THE-YEAR EXAMINATION

Preparation and Delivery of Sermons.

Digest of Methodist Law.

Written Sermon.

Wesley's Sermons, Vol. I.

Christian View of the Old Testament.

Jesus and the Gospels.

Extemporaneous Oratory.

To be read.

Second Year

Biblical Hermeneutics.

The Bible, its Origin and Nature.

History of Methodism, Vol. I.

The Resurrection of Jesus.

St. Paul, the Traveller and Roman Citizen.

To be read.

Third Year

System of Christian Doctrine, pp. 1—322.

History of the Christian Church.

Written Sermon.

The Indwelling Spirit.

The Fact of Conversion.

Governing Conference in Methodism.

History of Methodism, Vol. II.

To be read.

Fourth Year

System of Christian Doctrine, pp. 325—635.

Theism.

History of Methodism, Vol. III.

Prophecy and the Prophets.

Place of Christ in Modern Theology.

Lectures on Preaching.

Pastoral and Personal Evangelism.

To be read.

In "Books to be Read" the candidate shall present a written certificate to the Registrar stating that he has carefully read the entire book.

Mid-year examinations shall be held during the first fortnight in July and the end-of-the-year examinations shall be written during the fortnight before Conference.

For General Rules regarding Examinations see the Discipline of 1916, pp. 545—552.

3. Vernacular Course of Study

[In accordance with the action of Conference, 1915, all Missionaries who are learning a Vernacular are required to take the course offered by the S. I. M. Association. A printed syllabus of these courses may be had on application to the Convener of the Board of Examiners of the Association, the Rev. F. L. Marler, Gooty, India, or to the Conference Secretary.]

4. Courses for Natives of India

(1) *Tamil Course*

FOR TRAVELLING PREACHERS

FOR ADMISSION ON TRIAL

1. General Examination in Arithmetic, Grammar and Geography.
2. Catechism, No. 2.
3. Discipline (Tamil).
4. General Questions on Methodist Doctrine and Polity.

First Year

1. Evidences of Christianity, pp. 1—62.
2. Homiletics (Lazarus), pp. 1—111.
3. Popular Hinduism, pp. 5—56.
4. Bible History, "Line upon Line," pp. 1—272.
5. Written Sermon.
6. Exegesis.

Second Year

1. Church History, pp. 1—183.
2. Popular Hinduism, pp. 57—end.
3. Evidences of Christianity, pp. 62—end.
4. Bible History, "Line upon Line," pp. 273—end.
5. Homiletics (Lazarus), pp. 112—222.
6. Test of Religion, pp. 1—154.
7. Discipline: Baptism and Lord's Supper.
8. Written Sermon.

Third Year

1. Church History, pp. 183—end.
2. Test of Religion, pp. 154—309.
3. Bazaar Book, the whole.
4. Homiletics (Lazarus), pp. 222—end.
5. Mudurai.
6. Nannul.
7. Written Essay.

Fourth Year

1. Bazaar Book, Review of whole.
2. Homiletics, Review of whole.
3. Test of Religions, Review of whole.
4. Church History, Review of whole.
5. Kural Stanzas 101—130.
6. Minor Poets (Nanneri and Nethinerivilakkam).

(2) *Kanarese Course*

FOR TRAVELLING PREACHERS

FOR ADMISSION ON TRIAL

1. General Examination in Arithmetic, Grammar and Geography.
2. Catechism, No. 2.
3. Discipline, Latest Edition.
4. Rise and Progress of Methodism—*Robinson*.

First Year

1. Evidences of Christianity—*Mitchell*.
2. Hutcheon's Theology, Part I.
3. Lectures on the Christian Ministry—*Crisp*.
4. Written Sermon.

Second Year

1. Studies in the Word of God, No. 2.
2. Hutcheon's Theology, Part II.
3. Wesley on Christian Perfection.
4. The Sacraments Biblically—(1) Baptism, (2) The Lord's Supper.
5. Written Sermon.

Third Year

1. Studies in the Word of God, No. 4.
2. Hutcheon's Theology, Part III.
3. Bible History in connection with the General History of the World—*Ride*.
4. The Preacher's Mirror—*H. Samuel*.
5. Written Sermon.

Fourth Year

1. Doctrines of the Gospel—Basel Mission.
2. Outlines of Christian Theology—Hutcheon, Review of the whole.
3. An Earnest Talk to Preachers—*Haigh*.
4. Written Sermon.

(3) Telugu Course for Natives of India

FOR TRAVELLING PREACHERS

FOR ADMISSION ON TRIAL

1. General Examination in Arithmetic, Grammar, Geography and General Knowledge of the Bible.
2. Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church.
3. Catechism, No. 2.
4. Brief History of Methodism by Bishop J. E. Robinson.

First Year

1. Whateley's Evidences—5 Chapters.
2. Theology—Buck's, Part I.
3. Companion to the Bible, 89 pages.
4. Written Sermon.

Second Year

1. Companion to the Bible, to page 268.
2. Theology—Buck's, Part II.
3. Christian Perfection.
4. Whateley's Evidences, complete, Part I.
5. Written Sermon.

Third Year

1. Companion to the Bible, to page 283.
2. Whateley's Evidences, to end of Chapter III, Part II.
3. Subha Charita—Johnston's Lowenthal—one half.
4. Theology—Buck's, Part III.

Fourth Year

1. Companion to the Bible, to page 398.
2. Whateley's Evidences, complete.
3. Subha Charita, complete.

5. Course of Study for Candidates for Local Ordination

(1) As Local Deacons

A review of the four years' Course for Local Preachers

(2) As Local Elders

1. Earnest Talks to Preachers.
2. Wesley on Christian Perfection.
3. History of Methodism—*Bishop J. E. Robinson.*
4. Sinless Incarnation.—*Bishop Warne.*

6. Course of Study for Boarding Schools

FIRST STANDARD

Simple Stories from Genesis.

Adam and Eve; Noah, Abraham.

New Testament. First half of the Life of Christ—Catechism (if procurable).

Memoriter. Lord's Prayer, Beatitudes, Ps. 23.

SECOND STANDARD

Bible Stories of Moses, Joshua, Esther and Ruth.

Simple Stories in the Miracles of Christ.

Story of John the Baptist.

Second half of the Life of Christ—Catechism.

Memoriter. Ps. 91, 193.

THIRD STANDARD

Stories of Daniel, David, Nehemiah.

Parables of Christ.

Reading of the first half of Matthew.

Methodist Episcopal Junior Catechism, first two parts.

Memoriter. 1 Cor. 13; John 14.

FOURTH STANDARD

Genesis, to study.

The whole of Matthew, to study.

Parts III and IV of Junior Catechism.

Memoriter. 1 Cor. 8; Is. 53; Ps. 115.

FIFTH STANDARD

Exodus, 1—20.

Acts of the Apostles.

Elementary Geography of Palestine.

The whole of the Junior Catechism.

Memoriter. Eph. 6; Rom. 12; Ps. 1, 2.

SIXTH STANDARD

Joshua, Judges and Gospel of John, to study.

Mitchell's Evidences of Christianity.

First Three Sections in Standard Catechism.

Memoriter. Ps. 46; John. 15; 1 Cor. 15.

XXV. CONFERENCE RESUME

ABRAHAM, A. S., born at Phimmayapallem (Addanki) May 4, 1884. Parents' names, Jacob and Ketammah. Ministerial Work—Supply at Yellandu 1912, 1913. Conference Appointments, South India Conference, 1913—1915. Palwancha Circuit; 1915—1918, Kortipally Circuit. 1918—1920 Hyderabad. School in which studied—A. B. M. College, Ongole. Place and date of marriage, Ongole, December 18, 1906. Wife's maiden name, Athiyala Sudrammah.

KARL EDWIN ANDERSON, born at Greenvew, Illinois, U. S. A., June 28, 1869. Parents' names, Anders and Laura Anderson. Ministerial Work—Supply in Upper Iowa and N. W. Iowa Conferences; South India Conference, 1899. Appointments—Madras, Bangalore; Kolar Circuit and Biblical School, Bangalore, English Church District Superintendent, English District. Schools from which graduated, Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Iowa, U. S. A. Place and date of marriage, Manila, P. I., October 23, 1903. Wife's maiden name, Emma J. Wardle, also of Cornell College, Class 1903, and of Chicago Training School.

ABEDNEGO BARNABAS, born at Kolar, June 18, 1888. Parents, names, Barnabas and Annamma. Graduated from Belgaum M. E. M. High School. Ministerial Work—Supply in Gokak Circuit, 1908 to 1916. Ankalgi Circuit, 1917, 1918. Married at Kolar on 21st December, 1911. Wife's maiden name, Sophia Kasim.

JOHN BAXENDALL BUTTRICK, born at Tong, near Bradford, Yorks, England, 3rd July, 1861. Parents' names, John and Betty (Baxendall) Buttrick. Conference Appointments—1882, '83, Nappan Circuit, Nova Scotia; 1883, '84, Horton Circuit, Nova Scotia; '84—'87, Sandys and Southampton Circuit, Bermuda; 1887, '88, Halifax North Circuit, Nova Scotia; 1888, '89, '90, '91, Bangalore Richmond Town Circuit; 1892, '93, Bangalore South Canarese Circuit; 1894, '95, Bangalore South Canarese, and Kolar Industrial work; 1896, Kolar Circuit, and Industrial work; 1897, Bowringpet Circuit; 1898—1902 Presiding Elder, Madras District; 1903—1913, Superintendent, Bangalore District; 1914, Superintendent, Raichur District; '15, Superintendent, Gulbarga-Raichur District; '16—'18, Superintendent, Gulbarga-Bidar District; 1918—'20, Superintendent, Gulbarga District. Delegate to General Conference, 1904. Place and date of marriage, Vepery English Church, Madras, June 10, 1890. Wife's maiden name, Mary Jane Pease.

CECIL LEROY CAMP, born November 15, 1880, at Buckley, Illinois, U. S. A. Parents' names, Sidney H. Camp and Susan C. Camp. Graduated from North-western University, 1912. Graduate, School of Theology of Garrett Biblical Institute, 1914. Ministerial Work—Supply in Rock River Conference at Niles, Illinois, 1913, '14. South India Conference Appointments—'15—'18, Bidar; 1918—'20, Superintendent, Bidar District. Wife's maiden name, Alice Emily Hubbard.

ALVIN BRUCE COATES, born at Irving, Iowa, U. S. A., March 25, 1880. Parents' names, Alvin and Jenny Coates. Ministerial Work—Supply at Baldwin High School, Bangalore, 1907, South India Conference. Appointments—South

India Conference, '07—'14, Baldwin Boys' School, Bangalore. '16, Bail Hongal. '17—'20, Principal, Beynon Smith School, Belgaum Educational Circuit. Married during Session of Bombay Conference, Bombay, 20th Dec., 1907. Wife's maiden name, Olive May Briney. School from which graduated, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa.

ALBERT EDWARD COOK, born at Mitchel, Ontario, Canada, February 18, 1867. Parents' names, William and Elizabeth (Moon) Cook. Ministerial Work—Supply at Dearborn, Mich., 1891; "Preston" Church, Detroit City Mich., 1892, Detroit Conference. Conference Appointments—South India Conference, 1893—'94, Secunderabad; 1895, Vikarabad; '96—'02, Bidar; '04—'12, Raichur; '13, furlough; '18—'20, Bail Hongal Circuit. Schools from which graduated, DePauw University School of Theology, Greencastle, Ind.; Cleary's Business College, Ypsilanti, Mich. Date of marriage, November, 1892.

NANAPPA DESAI, born at Belgaum, 1867. Parents' names, S. Desai and N. Desai. Conference Appointments, South India Conference, '93—'16, Shorapur; '17—'19, District Evangelist, Shorapur. School from which graduated, Belgaum L. M. High School. Place and date of marriage, Madras, December 18, 1890. Wife's maiden name, Rebecca.

ONGOLE DAVID, born at Mahboobnagar, H. E. H. the Nizam's Dominions, March 20, 1891. Parents' names, Kondiah and Annamma. Graduated from the Crawford Boys' Middle School, Vikarabad, 1907. Supply at the Crawford School as teacher, 1908-1909; graduated from the Reid Collegiate School, Lucknow, 1912; supply at the Crawford School as head teacher, 1912-1913; studied in Reid Christian College, Lucknow, 1913—1915; supply in Hyderabad-Vikarabad District as District Sunday School Secretary, 1915-1916; admitted into full membership of the South India Conference and ordained Deacon, December 1, 1918. Conference Appointments—District Sunday School Secretary, 1916; Vikarabad Church and the J. L. Crawford Boys' School, 1917-1920. Place and date of marriage, Mahboobnagar, Deccan, December 26, 1917. Wife's maiden name, Rose Ambrose.

DAVID OLIVER ERNSBERGER, born in Perry Co., Ohio, August 19, 1851. Parents' names, Abraham and Eliza Ernsberger. Ministerial Work—Supply in North Indiana Conference, 1881, '82, eight months; arrival in India, July 3, 1882. Conference Appointments—1883, Telugu Mission; 1884, 1885, Lingsugur, Canarese Mission; 1886, '87, '88, Gulbarga and Raichur; 1889 to '95, Gulbarga; 1896, Gulbarga and Kopbal; 1897, '98, '99, Gulbarga and Raichur; 1900 to '07, Presiding Elder, Raichur District; '08—'14, Superintendent of Belgaum District; '16 Delegate to General Conference and furlough; '18, Yellandu; '18—'20, Superintendent, Raichur District.

JOSEPH HENRY GARDEN, born at Stratford, Ontario, Canada, November 26, 1858. Parents' names, David Scott and Emily (Fountain) Garden. Conference Appointments—Kentucky Conference, 1883, Cave Springs; 1884, Owensboro. South India Conference, 1885, Vepery; 1885, '86, '87, Bellary English and Telugu Work; 1888, '89, Tandur (Gulbarga); 1890, Madras Press and Telugu Mission; 1891, Hyderabad; 1892, '93 to '99, 1900, Vikarabad; 1901, on furlough in America; '02—'05, Vikarabad; 1906, Royapuram; '07—'10, Gulbarga; '10—'14, Superintendent of Raichur District; '15—'17, Yellandu; '18, '19, furlough. School in which educated, Stratford, Ontario High School. Place and date of marriage, Madras, June 1, 1887. Wife's maiden name, Frances Edith Byers.

GOVINDARAJU GERSHOM, born at Ranipet (North Arcot District), June 8, 1868. Parents' names, Ponnusawmy Mudaliar and Laksmamma. Ministerial Work (1) Supply at Kolar, South India Conference. (2) Conference Appointments, South India Conference, 1893 to '96, Kolar; 1897, '98, '99, 1900,

Hosur (Salem District); 1901 to '14, Kolar; '15, Gulbarga; '16, '17, Madras City Tamil; '18—'20, District Superintendent, Madras District. Schools from which graduated, Kolar Government High School and the Mission Theological School. Place and date of marriage, July 22, 1890, and Bangalore, April 24, 1894. Wife's maiden name, first wife, Henrietta Salton; second wife, Premamma.

EDMUND JAMES GUEST, born at Jalgaon, Bombay Presidency, India, August 2nd, 1883. Parents' names, William George and Mary Anne Guest. Conference Appointments—Newark Conference, U. S. A., Basking Ridge, 1916. South India Conference, Baldwin Boys' School, 1917—'20. Graduated from Edinburgh University with M.A. Degree, 1914. Drew Theological Seminary, 1916. Married April 24th, 1916, at Dover, N. J. Wife's maiden name, Elizabeth Brown.

WALTER GEORGE GRAY, born at Brighton, England, January 1, 1883. Parents' names, Samuel and Margaret Ann Gray. Schools from which graduated, Harley College, London, 1905—'07, Inc; Livingstone Medical College, Leyton, London, 1908. Married in Madras, April 26, 1911. Wife's maiden name, Florence Ellen Hunt. Conference Appointments—Puthur, Ottapidaram and Pudukottah Circuits on the Madras District from August, 1914—'19; Madras Boys' School, 1920.

VEERAYYA NANAPPA GNANA PRAKASH, born at Bunkaladodi, 1886. Parents' names, Veerayya and Gnanamma; Ministerial Work—Supply at Shorapur, 1908—1912. Conference Appointments—'13—'14, Shorapur; '15—'20, Shahpur. Graduated, M. E. High School, Belgaum. Place and date of marriage, Shorapur, February 7, 1913. Wife's maiden name, Esther Kamala Desai.

JOHN DAVID HARRIS, born at Springfield, Ohio, U. S. A., October 3, 1882. Parents' names, Fletcher M. and Katherine Shafer Harris. Ministerial, Work—Supply Mt. Hope, N. J., Newark Conference, 1909—'12; Jasper, N. Y., Received on Trial in the Genesee Conference, and ordained Deacon, 1912. Conference Appointments—Painted Post, New York, Genesee Conference, 1912—'14; Baldwin Boys' School, South India Conference, '14—'15; '16—'18, Hyderabad Biblical Institute; 1919—'20, District Superintendent, Hyderabad District. Schools—Bethel High School, 1901; Ohio Wesleyan, 1906, B.A.; Drew Theological Seminary, B.D., 1912. Date of marriage, October 12, 1912. Wife's maiden name, Alice Blanche Bockstahler, also of Ohio Wesleyan, B.L., 1909, B.A., 1916.

WILLIAM HENRY HOLLISTER, born at Beloit, Wisconsin, U. S. A., Jan. 3, 1858. Parents' names, Aaron F. and Sarah (Smiley) Hollister. Conference Appointments—Wisconsin Conference: Salem and Wilmot, 1884; Sussex and Brookfield, 1885 and '86; Cotton St., Fondulac, '87; South India Conference, Nagpur, '88, '89; Baldwin High Schools, Bangalore, '90, '91; Kolar, '92,—'10. Furlough, 1911, '12. Conference Supervisor of constructing Mission Buildings, '13; Superintendent, Hyderabad District to June 1st, 1914; Superintendent, Bangalore District, June 1st, 1914—'19. Furlough 1920. Graduated from Garrett Biblical Institute Class, '84. Married November 1st '83. Wife's maiden name, Emma Hodge.

HENRY FRED. HILMER, born at Illinois City, Illinois, U. S. A., Feb. 21, 1880. Parents' names, Frederick H. Hilmer, Angela (Bieber) Hilmer. Annual Conference Appointments: Berkeley, '07, Wilmington, Cal. '08, '09, '10, '11; Baldwin Boys' School, Bangalore, '12, '13; Hyderabad, '14, '15; Bowringpet, '16—'17; '18—19 Superintendent Bangalore District, 1920 furlough. Schools from which graduated, German Wallace College, B. A.; Maclay College of Theology, B. D. Married, Los Angeles, Cal., August 24, 1905. Wife's maiden name, Tillie Laura Hollmann,

JOTAPPA JACOB, born at Mirzapur, Bidar District, 1885. Parents' names, Jotappa and Yallamma. Graduated from M. E. Training School. Married at Raichur, April 14, 1905. Wife's maiden name, Ruthamma. Conference Appointments—1904—'06, Bidar; '07, '08, Janwada; '09—'11, Hominabad; '12, Bidar; '13—'16, Burdipur; '17—'19, Janwada '20, Bidar.

JONATHAN KARODI, born at Jyalihal, Bijapur District, 1866. Parents' names, Sakrappa Karodi and Solomava Karodi. Ministerial Work—Supply at Kopbal and Gulbarga; 1894 to 1902. Conference Appointments—1903 to 1906, Gulbarga; 1907, Jewarga; 1908 to '11, Shahpur; '13, Gulbarga; '14, Yadagiri; '15—'20, Gulbarga. School from which graduated, German Mission Training School and Seminary. Place and date of marriage, Bellary, June 5, 1889. Wife's maiden name, Elizamma.

WILLIAM LESLIE KING, born at West' Winterport, Maine, U. S. A., January 26, 1858. Parents' names, William and Paulina King. Conference Appointments—Wisconsin Conference, 1883, Ripon; Minnesota Conference, 1884, Newport; 1885, Wesley Church, Winona; 1886, '87, Chatfield; South India Conference, 1888, '89, Baldwin High Schools; '90—'92, Vepery, Madras, English Church; '90—'96, Tamil Work; '90—'95, Agent, Publishing House; 1896 to 1910, Hyderabad District; 1896 to 1902, Vernacular Work, Hyderabad; 1904 to 1908, Shankarapally Circuit; Delegate to General Conference, 1900. '11, '12, furlough. '13, Superintendent, Hyderabad District; '14—'17, Superintendent, Madras District; '14—'20, Agent, Methodist Publishing House. Schools from which graduated, University of Minn., B.A., 1881; Garrett Biblical Institute, B.D., 1883; D.D., 1908. Place and date of marriage, Ripon, Wisconsin, September 23, 1884. Wife's maiden name, Sarah Hockenhull.

JAMES JAY KINGHAM, born at Port Clinton, Ohio, June 10, 1883. Parents' names, Joseph and Ella Simkins Kingham. Conference Appointments—1906 to '10, Madras Tamil Circuit, Madras; '11, Madras Tamil and Tuticorin; '12, '13, Tuticorin; '13—'19, U. S. A. '20, Tuticorin. School from which graduated, Ohio Wesleyan University, B.A., 1904; M.A., 1905. Place and date of marriage, Madras, November 22, 1911. Wife's maiden name, Grace M. Woods.

MALAPPA LEWIS, born at Denkanikota, Salem District, 1858, educated in Kolar Mission School. Married at Kolar, March, 1881; Wife's maiden name, Priscillamma. Conference Appointments—'92—'94, Betamangalam; '94—'97, Bangalore; '97—'98, Mulbagal; '98—1900, Srinivasapur; 1901—'06, Hosur; '07—'13, Yadagiri; '14—'15, Yellandu; '16—'18, Srinivasapur; '18—'20, Kolar Town.

MANNAPALLI LUKE, born at Dirichintha, June 26, 1878. Parents' names, Abraham and Chinnamma. School from which graduated, Brownson Theological Seminary, Ramapatnam. Ministerial Work—1905—1911, Secunderabad; 1911-1912, Durga, Golconda. Conference Appointments—1913—1915, Narsingpet Circuit; 1916—1918, Hyderabad City Telugu Church. '18, '19, Singareni Collieries. 1920 Tandur Circuit. Place and date of marriage, Secunderabad, December 19, 1901. Wife's maiden name, Catherine Kotamma.

HUGH HARRISON LINN, born at Shelby, Iowa, September 28, 1878. Parents' names, Jacob B. and Hester A. Chilcoate Linn. Schools from which graduated, Simpson College, Iowa, 1905; North Western University Medical School, 1909. Conference Appointments—Bidar, 1911—'16; '17 furlough; '18—'20, Superintendent, Vikarabad District. Place and date of marriage, Bombay, November, 1910. Wife's maiden name, Minnie Logeman,

CHARLES FRANKLIN LIPP, born at Marseilles, Ohio, U.S.A., August 26, 1881. Parents' names, John H. and Elizabeth Boyer Lipp. Ministerial Work—Supply at Baldwin High Schools, Richmond Town, Bangalore, South India Conference, 1907. Conference Appointments—1908, Baldwin High School; 1909, '10, '11, Richmond Town English Church; '12, South Kanarese Circuit and English Church, Belgaum; '13—'14, Bail Hongal Circuit and English Church; '14—'17, furlough; '19, Ankalgi Circuit, 1920 Gokak Mills. School from which graduated, Ohio Wesleyan University, (B.A.) Class 1905. Place and date of marriage, Marseilles, Ohio, August 22, 1907. Wife's maiden name, Clara A. Emptage.

KALLUR GNANA MITTRA, born in Kallur, 1880; Parents' names, Husenappa and Lakshavva. Ministerial Work—Supply in Gulbarga, 1901; Raichur, '02—'12. Graduated from M. E. Training School; Conference Appointments—'13—'15, Raichur; '16—'19, Kopbal. Married, Raichur, March 4, 1904, to Naomi Ammal.

WALTER LESLIE MORGAN, born in Pittsburgh, Pa., October 3, 1879, son of Thomas E. and Emily (Fox) Morgan. Graduated Pittsburgh High School, 1902. Supplied Mt. Pleasant and Sugar Creek, Erie Conference, 1906—'07. Allegheny College, B.A. (1910). Supplied Woods Hole (Mass.) New England Southern Conference, 1911-12, Ordained Deacon, Cambridge Mass., New England Conference, 1912. Boston University School of Theology S. T. B. (1912) Ordained Elder. Blairsville, P'gh. Conference, 1912. Arrived in Vikarabad, Deccan, India, December 31, 1912. '13—'19, Principal of the J. L. Crawford Boys' School, Vikarabad. 1920, Furlough. Place and date of marriage, Vikarabad, Deccan, February 22, 1915. Wife's maiden name, Mercedith B. Allen.

SOOHRUDIA NOAH, born at Yethanthippanalli, Kolar District. Date of birth unknown. Parents' names, Venkatappa and Rebecca. Conference Appointments—South India Conference, 1892 to '95, Rollinspoor and Sreenivasapore; '96—'99, Kolar; 1900—'04, Sreenivasapore; 1905—'10, Bowringpet, '11—'18, Kolar Circuit; '18—'20, Bangalore Vernacular. School from which graduated, Kolar Mission School. Date and place of marriage, first marriage, March 3, 1886, Kolar; second marriage, July 29, 1897, Bangalore. Wife's maiden name, first wife, Ruth; second wife, Dorcas.

CHARLES EDWARD PARKER, born at Robeson Co. North Carolina, U. S. A., February 13, 1872. Parents' names, Edward B. and Eliza J. Smith Parker. Ministerial Work—Supply at Teabo, N. J., Newark. Conference Appointments, South India Conference, 1901—'02, Secunderabad English Circuit and Hyderabad and Secunderabad Vernacular Circuit; 1903—'05, Hyderabad and Secunderabad Vernacular Circuit; 1905—'08, Vikarabad; 1909, Shankarapalli Circuit and Vikarabad Evangelistic Work; 1910—'12, District Superintendent, Hyderabad District; '13, '14, District Superintendent, Vikarabad District; '15—'18, District Superintendent, Hyderabad-Vikarabad District. On furlough '19, '20. Schools from which graduated, Trinity High School; Drew Theological Seminary, Wife's maiden name, Sarah Benny Turner.

MARCELLUS DOW ROSS, born in Jewel Co., Kas., U.S.A., February 9, 1881. Parents' names, Marcellus Dickey and Malinda Clara Modlin Ross. Ministerial Work, Supply in N. W. Kas. Conf., 1907, Tescott and Mentor; 1908, Petersburg and Culver; 1909—'11, Codell; Conference Appointments—'12 Linesberg, Kas., in N. W. Kas. Conference. South India Conference Appointments—1913—'15, Hyderabad Biblical Institute.; '16—'18, District Superintendent, Raichur District; 1919, District Superintendent, a Vikarabad District, 1920 Furlough. Graduated from Mankato, Kan., High School, '01; Kas.

Wesleyan University, '12; Degree B. A. Place and date of marriage, Minneapolis, Kas., U. S. A., May 4th, 1910. Wife's maiden name, Nancy Ann Sams.

NOAH E. SAMSON, born at Kolar Town, November 25, 1885. Parents' names, Noahya and Juliyamma. School from which graduated, Kolar Mission School. Ministerial Work—Supply at Janwadi, 1903—'13; Conference Appointments—Bidar, '13—'17; '19, Hominabad, '20 Manhali Circuit. Place and date of marriage, Bidar, May 3, 1906. Wife's maiden name, Alice Margaret.

EARL ARNETT SEAMANDS, born at Lexington, Kentucky, U.S.A., October 5, 1891. Parents' names John and Jennie Seamands. Conference appointments—Pambarville, Ohio, 1918, 1919. Transferred to South India Conference 1919. Schools from which graduated, University of Cincinnati, C.E., Ohio Northern University B.S., Date and place of marriage Cleveland Ohio, February, 22, 1915. Wife's maiden name Yvonne Emily Shields.

HETA SINGH, born Shajahanpur West, June 22, 1883. Parents' names, Bidhya Singh, Sikhya. Annual Conference Supply, Hominabad. Appointments—1912—'16, Hominabad Circuit; '17, Chitapur Circuit; '18—'20 Ratnapur. Graduated, Theological Seminary, Band, Bareilly. Married, Vikarabad, June 20, 1907, to Sundrabai.

CHARLES WESLEY SCHARER, born at West Toledo, Ohio, May 13, 1875. Parents' names, Christi and Elizabeth Mozer Scharer. Joined Central Ohio Conference, 1904; South India Conference—1904—'08, Belgaum, 1909—'15, Gokak Circuit; '12, furlough; '16—'20, District Superintendent, Belgaum. Place and date of marriage, Clyde, Ohio, July 21, 1904. School from which graduated, Taylor University, 1904. Wife's maiden name, Elizabeth Ellen Hastings.

MATTHEW TINDALE, born at Cannanore, India, June 9, 1845. Parents, names, Robert and Harriet Tindale. Ministerial Work—Supply at Seamen's Rooms, Hastings, Calcutta, September, 1886—January, 1888. Conference Appointments—1883—1891, Jubbulpore; 1892—1895, Agra; 1896—1898, Lahore; 1899—1904, Royapuram; 1905—'06, Bangalore; 1906—'07, Publishing House, Madras; 1908—'09, Royapuram; '10, Superannuate. School from which graduated, Bishop Corrie's Grammar School, Madras. Supply:—Secunderabad English and Vernacular, 1910; Secunderabad English, 1910—'17. ('18-'20, retired).

XXVI. MISSION ACCOUNTS

The following rules, substantially the same as those adopted by the Central Conference, are printed in the Minutes for the guidance of the Preachers-in-Charge and others who have the handling of Mission Funds and for the Auditing Committee, by request of Bishop Robinson.

1. Every Preacher-in-Charge, or District Superintendent, or other mission worker who acts as a paymaster or handles Mission money, shall keep a set of books consisting of a day book, ledger, and a pay roll book. General Board and W. F. M. S. accounts shall be kept in separate books.

2. All expenditures and receipts shall be entered daily, item by item, in the day book, and the proper ledger account indicated.

3. All accounts shall be entered from the day book into the ledger under their respective heads, *i.e.*, salaries, itinerating, schools, rents, local fund, etc., and balance shall be taken quarterly.

4. In the pay roll book a correct list of all paid workers shall be kept and on receiving his monthly pay each worker shall write his signature opposite the amount that he received, or give a receipt.

5. A repair book may be kept in which the items in detail of repairs and new buildings, which are too cumbrous for the day book, shall be entered, and the totals transferred to the day book.

6. A Pastors' fund book may be kept in which a complete list of those contributing shall be kept, showing the amounts contributed, the monthly totals of which shall be entered in the Pastors' fund accounts of the day book and ledger.

7. Under salaries shall be entered only items of receipt and expenditure for salaries of Preachers and Pastor Teachers.

8. Under itinerating, the Preacher-in-Charge shall enter the actual itinerating expenses within his own Circuit, or for his Circuit work, and an itemized list of expenses must be shown. Other expenses for travel on Mission work shall be passed by the Finance Committee.

9. Under schools, an itemized account of receipts and expenditures for schools, and schools only, shall be kept. If desirable the separate items may be kept with vouchers in a separate book, and only the totals for the individual schools entered in the day book. Items for expenditure for periodicals for the Sunday School held in connection with the day school, may be entered under this head. A pay roll book for teachers as in Section 4, shall be kept or regular receipts shall be taken.

10. Under repairs only items of expense for repairs on existing buildings shall be entered, and these shall not exceed Rs. 500 on any one building without the approval of the Building Committee. The account shall not be debited with expense for new buildings, or additions to old ones exceeding Rs. 500 without the order of the Finance Committee. When a new building is ordered by the Finance Committee, an account called Building Account shall be opened and all receipts and expenditures shall be entered in it.

11. The Pastors' fund account shall be a condensation of the Pastors' fund book showing the total collected monthly and the items of expenditure.

12. Annual Conference Members who are paymasters for Circuits shall keep a separate pay roll for each Circuit.

13. All accounts within the Mission, not only expenditure on account of regular appropriations, but all other moneys shall show a quarterly audit. The Auditing Committee should certify this audit on the books, and the accounts of the Treasurer of the Mission forwarded to the Mission Rooms should have like certificate.

14. Vouchers and receipts so far as possible should be presented to auditors for all moneys received and expended. Care should be taken, not only in the examination of vouchers and receipts to see if footings are correct, but also to ascertain that the disbursements of regular appropriations, special gifts, and all moneys raised locally are in accordance with the redistribution.

15. Balances may be transferred from one account to another at the end of the year only by the consent of the District Superintendent.

16. It shall be the duty of the District Superintendent to audit the accounts of Preachers-in-Charge, the W. F. M. S., and of all schools in his District, but if he so desires he may request the Auditing Committee to audit them.

17. It shall be the duty of the Auditing Committee to audit the following Mission accounts :—

The accounts of the District Superintendents and their wives if in charge of Mission workers.

The accounts of the Preachers-in-Charge where the same are District Superintendents.

The accounts of all institutions, personally or by proxy, the proxy being the auditors of the Board of Trustees.

The accounts of the Conference Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Building accounts of over Rs. 2,000 and the accounts of any money raised for any special purpose.

Books of any Circuit, either General Board or W. F. M. S., on the request of the District Superintendent or Treasurer.

The Auditing Committee may at their discretion call for any set of books and audit the same.

Each account shall be audited by at least two members of the Committee.

The Auditing Committee and the District Superintendents are instructed in cases where these rules are not followed to refuse to certify the books and to report the same to the Finance Committee.

A copy of these rules shall be pasted in all ledgers.

STATISTICS

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I. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND WORK—(contd.)

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NAMES OF CIRCUITS	Christian Community				Baptisms		Sunday Schools			Epworth Leagues			Christian Workers														
	PROBATIONERS	MEMBERS		Deaths	Children	Adults	Total Baptisms	No. of Sunday Schools	No. of Officers and Teachers	Total Scholars of all Ages	Senior Leagues	Senior Members	Junior Leagues	Junior Members	Men	Women	Missionaries	W. F. M. S. Missionaries	W. F. M. S. Assistants	Native Members of Conference	Ordained Local Preachers	Unordained Local Preachers	Exhorters	All other Male Workers	All other Female Workers	Total Christian Workers	No. of above who are Paid Workers
		Now on roll	Non-resident Members																								
	Enrolled during year																										
VIKARABAD DISTRICT—																											
Aloor ..	175	1152	121	110	..	357	1273	21	35	140	175	19	11	526	2	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	6	14	14
Damrigidda ..	4	1079	49	36	..	357	1485	45	3	1	4	7	5	133	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	5	5	14
Dharur ..	25	1050	266	..	..	..	1316	33	8	17	25	17	10	372	2	56	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	4	11	11
Doulatabad ..	18	186	2	..	..	113	301	3	18	..	18	3	2	56	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	3	3
Gurdimetkal ..	122	1190	44	..	..	517	1751	151	88	34	122	20	10	309	3	81	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	12	12
Kankal ..	177	1259	108	..	..	456	1823	204	73	104	177	16	10	351	4	48	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	12	12
Kohir ..	..	1307	221	..	..	278	1806	162	..	..	..	14	8	269	6	72	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	8	8
Kortipally ..	80	1732	417	..	..	595	2744	44	16	64	80	19	11	334	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	12	12
Kordungal ..	36	569	99	..	..	239	907	15	13	23	36	5	4	102	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	7	7
Kosgi ..	3	61	12	..	..	10	83	..	1	2	3	3	3	51	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	9	9
Kumkole ..	3	226	75	15	..	74	375	29	2	1	3	15	8	342	1	24	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	10	10
Momeinpet ..	31	1664	181	..	..	526	2371	122	15	16	31	29	15	635	4	45	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	9	9
Mudella ..	22	1047	126	122	..	727	1900	49	7	15	22	13	7	309	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	10	10
Mudoor ..	32	1303	60	..	..	580	1943	50	32	..	32	5	5	94	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	12	12
Pergi ..	..	633	156	..	..	279	1063	63	..	..	..	11	9	313	4	42	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	10	10
Shankerpally ..	205	1095	118	..	..	..	1213	31	70	135	205	20	11	604	6	40	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	12	12
Tlandur ..	..	1845	378	..	..	524	2747	52	..	..	..	18	13	370	3	50	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	14	13
Vikarabad.. ..	68	394	167	..	..	277	838	40	31	37	68	24	46	737	1	91	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	21	70	70
J. J. Crawford Boys' School..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Huldah A. Crawford Hospital.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	1001	17592	2600	299	..	5552	25944	1114	412	589	1001	252	188	5907	36	574	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Grand Total ..	3148	39714	6222	537	..	16461	61057	2631	1583	2039	3622	869	896	20773	48	1229	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Grand Total for 1918 ..	4588	36715	6273	330	..	18424	61752	1840	2176	3241	5417	825	823	18852	70	1394	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Increase ..	..	1659	..	207	..	..	791	791	..	..	..	44	73	1921	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Decrease ..	1440	..	51	..	..	1963	5	..	593	1202	1795	22	73	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

* The decreases in Christian Community are due to certain changes in Bangalore District and to a transfer of numbers of baptised children to the column for Probationer and to not counting the non-resident column.

II. CHURCH FINANCES

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II. CHURCH FINANCES—(contd.)

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NAMES OF DISTRICTS AND CIRCUITS	Church Property									
	Number of Churches	Probable value of Churches	Number of Parsonages	Probable value of Parsonages	Value of W.F.M.S. property	Value of all other property	Total value of all property	Present indebtedness on all property	Present indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages	Paid on indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages
		RS.		RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
BIDAR DISTRICT—cont.										
Mannahally	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nailkoil	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Narainkaid	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ratnapoor	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	..	..	2	10,800	43,400	21,050	75,250	9,810	8,269	..
ENGLISH DISTRICT—										
Bangalore	1	20,000	1	15,000	..	15,000	50,000	60,000	..	260
Baldwin Boys' High School	..	..	..	..	..	150,000	150,000	8,500	..	..
" Girls' "	..	..	..	..	100,000	..	100,000	..	..	..
Belgaum	1	8,000	..	..	..	..	8,000	..	..	..
Hyderabad	1	30,000	1	20,000	..	..	50,000	..	..	300
Madras	2	20,000	1	25,000	..	1,000	52,000	..	..	..
Secunderabad	1	10,000	..	..	..	..	10,000	..	..	..
Total	6	88,000	3	60,000	100,000	172,000	420,000	68,500	..	560
GULBARGA DISTRICT—										
Chittapoor	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dudhni	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Gulbarga	..	..	1	12,500	..	3,800	16,300	1,733	..	..
Shahabad	..	..	..	..	..	600	600	100	..	..
Shahpur	..	..	2	1,750	..	800	2,550	..	..	..
Shorapur	..	..	2	1,000	..	3,000	4,050	3,686	1,283	..
Yadagiri	..	..	2	670	..	..	670	..	..	..
Total	..	..	7	15,920	..	7,700	23,620	5,519	1,293	..
HYDERABAD DISTRICT—										
Hyderabad—Hindustani	..	..	2	..	27,000	..	27,000	..	..	..
" Telugu, Bible Institute	..	..	3	15 150	50,000	45,000	110,150	46,623	12,750	..
Kardundi	..	..	..	450	..	..	450	..	..	..

Paid for Building, Improving and Purchasing Churches and Parsonages

Paid on indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages

Present indebtedness on all property

Present indebtedness on Churches and Parsonages

Paid for Purchasing and Improving other property

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	Narsingpet	Pedda Mangalevaram	Ramachandrapet	Yellandu	Total
MADRAS DISTRICT—					
Boys' Boarding School ..					
Vepery Tamil Church and City					
City—Telugu ..					
Village—Tamil ..					
Ottapidaram ..					
Puttur ..					
Tuticorin Church ..					
Tuticorin-Puducottah ..					
Total					
RAICHUR DISTRICT—					
Deva Durga ..					
Kopbal ..					
Raichur ..					
Yarrigiri ..					
Total					
VIKARABAD DISTRICT—					
Aloor ..					
Dharur ..					
Damrigidda ..					
Deulatabad ..					
Gurdimetkal ..					
Kankal ..					
Kohir ..					
Kortipally ..					
Kordungal ..					
Kosgi ..					
Kumkole ..					
Momeinpet ..					
Mudella ..					
Mudoor ..					
Pergi ..					
Shankerpally ..					
Tandur ..					
Vikarabad ..					
J. L. Crawford Boys' School					
Huldah A. Crawford Hospital					
Total					
Grand Total					
Grand Total for 1918					
Increase					
Decrease					

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NAMES OF DISTRICTS AND CIRCUITS	Ministerial Support										Benevolent Collections										Other Collections				Total of Ministerial Sup- port and all Collections																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																
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III. SCHOOLS

Statistics of the South India Annual Conference for the year ending October 31, 1919

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Statistics of the South India Annual Conference for the year ending Oct. 31, 1919

NAMES OF HOSPITALS	No. of Hospitals or Dispensaries	No. of Hospital In-patients	No. of Visits to Dispensaries (Out-patients)	Amount of Fees and Donations Received
BANGALORE DISTRICT—				
Ellen Thoburn Cowen Memorial Hospital	1	..	..	Rs Closed
Total ..	1	..	..	..
BELGAUM DISTRICT—				
Nil				
BIDAR DISTRICT—				
Bidar Church	1	61	15,986	218
Total ..	1	61	15,986	218
ENGLISH DISTRICT—				
Nil				
GULBARGA DISTRICT—				
Nil				
HYDERABAD DISTRICT—				
Nil				
MADRAS DISTRICT—				
Nil				
RAICHUR DISTRICT—				
Nil				
VIKARABAD DISTRICT—				
H. A. Crawford Memorial Hospital ..	1	451	12,886	2,278
Total ..	1	451	12,886	2,278
Grand Total ..	3	512	28,872	2,496
Grand Total for 1918 ..	3	1,126	31,893	3,840
Increase ..	..	..	..	..
Decrease ..	..	614	3,021	1,344

V. COLPORTAGE

Statistics of the South India Annual Conference for the year ending Oct. 31, 1919

NAMES OF DISTRICTS AND CIRCUITS				Colportage			
				No. of Bibles sold or distrib- uted	No. of New Testa- ments sold or distrib- uted	No. of Por- tions sold or distrib- uted	No. of other Religious Books and tracts sold or distributed
BANGALORE DISTRICT—							
Bangalore—Vernacular	..	..	..	3	5	1,218	200
Bowringpet-Kuppam	..	..	..	1	..	3,548	854
Kolar ..	..	..	..	48	1	3,281	740
Mulbagal ..	..	..	..	..	..	360	1,125
Srinivasapur ..	..	..	..	1	1	461	655
Vemgal ..	..	..	..	..	..	265	835
Total	..	..	..	53	7	9,133	4,409
BELGAUM DISTRICT—							
Ankalgi ..	..	..	..	6	17	980	1,418
Bail Hongal ..	..	..	..	2	3	600	868
Belgaum—Church and City	..	..	..	4	3	243	680
„ Educational	..	..	..	15	21	430	3,450
„ Village ..	..	..	..	4	7	130	318
Gokak Falls ..	..	..	..	..	..	271	267
Hukeri-Chikodi ..	..	..	..	4	2	318	235
Kowjalgi ..	..	..	..	5	8	1,620	340
Naganur ..	..	..	..	18	13	2,110	1,712
Rabkavi ..	..	..	..	3	4	1,035	420
Yergatti ..	..	..	..	6	4	1,480	790
Total	..	..	..	67	82	9,217	10,498
BIDAR DISTRICT—							
Bidar Church ..	..	..	..	25	10	410	2,400
Bidar ..	..	..	..	..	..	251	440
Burdiapur ..	..	..	..	..	..	680	1,158
Hominabad ..	..	..	..	..	6	2,221	7,040
Janwada ..	..	..	..	..	3	1,686	1,650
Manhally ..	..	..	..	..	..	535	1,230
Nailkail ..	..	..	..	..	..	137	604
Narainkaid ..	..	..	..	..	..	523	1,141
Ratnapoor ..	..	..	..	..	..	353	1,553
Total	..	..	..	25	19	6,796	17,216
ENGLISH DISTRICT—							
Bangalore ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,600
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,600
GULBARGA DISTRICT—							
Chittapoor ..	..	..	..	1	..	45	212
Dudhni ..	..	..	..	..	..	8	770
Gulbarga ..	..	..	..	6	4	748	2,521
Shahabad ..	..	..	..	..	..	65	1,402
Shahpur ..	..	..	..	2	3	460	334
Shorapur ..	..	..	..	4	8	343	507
Yadgiri ..	..	..	..	2	1	80	50
Total	..	..	..	15	16	1,749	5,796
HYDERABAD DISTRICT—							
Hyderabad—Hindustani	..	..	..	8	33	3,169	16,226
„ Telugu Bible Institute	..	..	..	15	10	2,006	425
Kardundi ..	..	..	..	10	14	2,000	505
Narsingpet ..	..	..	..	10	12	2,300	600
Pedda Mangalevaram	..	..	..	10	10	2,100	320
Ramachandrapet ..	..	..	..	3	4	2,400	2,310
Yellandu ..	..	..	..	8	3	3,204	3,254
Total	..	..	..	64	86	17,179	23,640

V. COLPORTAGE—(contd.)**Statistics of the South India Annual Conference for the year ending Oct. 31, 1919**

NAMES OF DISTRICTS AND CIRCUITS	Colportage			
	No. of Bibles sold or distrib- uted	No. of New Testa- ments sold or distri- buted	No. of Por- tions sold or distri- buted	No. of other Religious Books and tracts sold or distributed
MADRAS DISTRICT—				
Boys' Boarding School	2	2	160	..
Vepery Tamil Church and City ..	40	19	5,654	50,000
City—Telugu	7	6	1,500	4,000
Village—Tamil	8	12	962	1,760
Ottapidaram	4	9	182	1,860
Puthur	14	12	330	1,750
Tuticorin Church	2	1	50	450
Tuticorin-Puducottah	2	4	80	520
Total	79	65	8,968	60,340
RAICHUR DISTRICT—				
Deva Durga	..	..	..	..
Kopbal	..	..	..	..
Raichur	13	6	3,099	720
Yarrigiri	..	..	..	..
Total	13	6	3,099	720
VIKARABAD DISTRICT—				
Aloor	..	..	..	..
Dharuri	4	..	217	459
Damrigdda	..	..	50	..
Doulatabad	..	..	45	150
Gurdimetkal	..	..	150	..
Kankal	..	..	30	800
Kohir	..	..	259	524
Kortipally	..	..	268	436
Kordungal	3	..	129	400
Kosgi	..	..	305	782
Kumkole	3	..	250	246
Momeinpet	..	..	138	1,050
Mudella	..	..	229	..
Mudoor	..	..	35	150
Pergi	..	..	109	650
Shankerpally	2	..	332	150
Tandur	..	2	438	1,618
Vikarabad	9	15	680	3,000
J. L. Crawford Boys' School	..	..	..	..
Hulda A. Crawford Hospital	9	10	36	540
Total	30	27	3,700	10,955
Grand Total	346	308	49,841	135,174
Grand Total for 1918	340	539	53,558	83,261
Increase	6	..	..	51,913
Decrease	..	231	3,717	..



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